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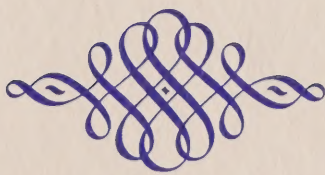
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SUBMISSION OF THE CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION,
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APPEARANCES:

Mr. A. H. Peake

Dr. J.H. Maloney

Dr. M.N. Beck

Mr. Urban McQuaid

MR. PEAKE: Mr. Chairman and members of
the Royal Commission, on behalf of the Prince Edward
Island Division of the Canadian Mental Health
Association I wish to extend our very warm welcome
to the welcomes already delivered to you by previous
organizations. Some measure of the warmth of our
welcome may be indicated by the weather: we have
kept our weather in eastern Canada the warmest in
the country during your visit here. We have also
attempted to retain some of our beautiful fall
foliage beyond the usual date; they are usually pretty
stark and bare at this time. We are very happy you
have come to this province.

First, I would like to introduce my colleagues
who are supporting me in this brief. Two of them
have already spoken before the Commission, but today
they are wearing different hats. First, I would like



1 to introduce myself: I am past president of the
2 Division, presently Chairman of its Board of Directors,
3 and as past president I originally signed the brief
4 submitted to you this morning. Our President Dr.
5 J.H. Maloney, you have already met; the Chairman of
6 our Scientific Planning Committee, Dr. Malcolm Beck,
7 and Mr. Urban McQuaid, our Executive Director.

8 Perhaps it would be helpful to the Commission
9 to give a brief history of our organization. The
10 Division was formed in October 1959 and, like most
11 of the health organizations, was born out of the need
12 for public interest in a health problem, this health
13 problem being the very vital and important problem of
14 mental health.

15 The Division is organized into general
16 membership, a Board of Directors elected by the
17 general membership, and due to the wisdom of those
18 who organized this mental health association in eight
19 other provinces in addition to our own, has, as a
20 very agile adjunct, a scientific planning committee.
21 Our objects might be briefly summed up in this way:
22 we have three main objects in the mental health
23 organization. First, the organization of the public,
24 the prevention of mental illness through positive
25 mental health, and through research, and thirdly
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4 survey which we prepared for our provincial government
5 this year.

6 "Mental and emotional illness
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8 and most important health problem we
9 have in Canada today. The magnitude
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12 there are over 70,000 patients in
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14 if the present trend continues, one
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16 in Canada this year will spend
17 a part of his life in a mental
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12 Just how many other residents
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16 or clinic care, we have no way of
17 determining. We can safely assume,
18 however, that there are a great
19 many such people, struggling on by
20 themselves, convinced that their
21 symptoms cannot be cured. It is
22 tragic to contemplate just how many
23 people there are who are terribly
24 handicapped by mental and emotional
25 disorders and who are carrying on,
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1 directorate asked our scientific planning committee
2 to prepare an exhaustive survey of the mental health
3 problem of Prince Edward Island, and that was carried
4 on over the year 1960 on to 1961, and last March this
5 survey was presented to our provincial government,
6 and I would like to assure the Commission that this
7 was a survey which was prepared by well qualified
8 personnel of varying professional qualifications.
9 For instance, if you look at our scientific planning
10 committee, we have on it, amongst others, Mr. Malcom
11 MacKenzie, the Deputy Minister of Education for the
12 province; Mr. E.A. MacDonald, the Director of Child
13 Welfare; Dr. Beck and Dr. Theriault, psychiatrists;
14 Mr. Reginald MacDonald, the principal of one of our
15 largest schools. Then, in the sub-committees,
16 on geriatrics, Miss Doris Anderson, nutritionist;
17 Dr. Drysdale, a prominent internist; Brigadier Reid,
18 the Director of Welfare and Labour -- to name only a
19 few. If there are any particular categories you
20 would like me to go on to, I could answer that later.

21 Finally, to conclude my introduction to
22 this brief, I would say this is one of nine provincial
23 briefs which will be presented to your Commission,
24 and our national organization will be presenting a
25 brief designed to consolidate and supplement these
26 provincial briefs.

27 If I could take our brief, it is quite
28 short and, with your permission I will read it to you.



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1 1. The Prince Edward Island Division of the
2 Canadian Mental Health Association has completed in March
3 of this year a survey entitled "Survey of Mental Health
4 Needs on Prince Edward Island". This study delineates the
5 extent of the problem of mental and emotional illness in
6 its broadest sense. It also describes the facilities avail-
7 able in this province for the prevention and treatment of
8 these illnesses.

9 2. On page 44 of this survey is presented a
10 "Summary of the recommendations". On page 41 is presented
11 an analysis of the additional physical plant facilities and
12 additional staff - medical and paramedical, necessary for
13 the implementation of these recommendations. As well, a
14 calculation of the annual cost of this increased staff is
15 included.

16 3. We respectfully call your attention to these
17 recommendations. Particularly, we would call your attention
18 to certain of these.

19 (a) The citizen of this province is required, if
20 at all possible, to pay for hospitalization
21 should he find it necessary to spend time in
22 a mental hospital. He is unable to insure
23 against this eventuality. The same citizen,
24 however, has ample opportunity to insure him-
25 self against illness of any type in a General
26 Hospital. What we wish to recommend emphatical-
27 ly is that any program of Health Services should
28 provide an equal opportunity for the citizen
29 to insure himself against the cost of all types
30 of hospitalization.



1 Similarly, we would emphasize that our citizen
2 should be enabled to ensure himself against the
3 cost of personal Medical Services involved in
4 Mental and Emotional illness. Such insurance
5 should be available within a comprehensive plan
6 covering all types of illness, and should protect
7 against such costs, whether incurred on an Out-
8 Patient basis, in a General Hospital, or in a
9 Mental Hospital.

10 This, we believe, would also aid in removing much
11 of the stigma attached to mental illness and men-
12 tal hospitals.

13 (b) We would also respectfully call your attention
14 to Section 3, page 12, and Section 4, page 19,
15 of the aforementioned survey. We call your at-
16 tention to these sections because they are con-
17 cerned with a comprehensive Mental Health Pro-
18 gram for our youth. This program is focused on
19 prevention. We firmly believe that even with the
20 projected increase in treatment facilities as
21 outline, we can never do other than treat the al-
22 ready established mental illnesses.

23 Therefore, a realistic Mental Health Program must
24 include facilities for the early detection and
25 treatment of the deviant child. We recommend the
26 inclusion of such preventative measures in any
27 plan of Health Care in Canada.

28 (c) We would call your attention also to Section 10,
29 page 40, entitled "Research".

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2 sarily associated with a decrease in productivity
3 and thus becomes of major importance in the econo-
4 mic life of this country.

5 Despitethis, only about 1/7th as many dollars are
6 spent on research into psychiatric illness as in-
7 to physical illness.

8 We would recommend that any plan of Health Care
9 envisaged should encourage vigorous research into
10 psychiatric illness and make funds available to
11 eliminate the present disparity.

12 4. Attached hereto are letters from the Prince
13 Edward Island Command of the Canadian Legion, The Prince
14 Edward Island Teacher's Federation, the Prince Edward Island
15 Women's Institute, the Prince Edward Island Catholic Women's
16 League, and the Prince Edward Island Federation of Agricul-
17 ture; all endorsing the principles and recommendations con-
18 tained in this submission.

19 5. This, we submit, indicates a broad base of
20 public support for the principles contained herein.



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4	President, Prince Edward Island Division, Canadian	
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11	together with members of sub-committees who assisted in	
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Charlottetown, P.E.I.
March 20th, 1961

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3 Honourable Walter R. Shaw,
4 Premier of Prince Edward Island,
5 Charlottetown,
6 Prince Edward Island

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8 Dear Mr. Premier:

9 On behalf of the Prince Edward Island
10 Division of the Canadian Mental Health Association, I wish
11 first of all to express our pleasure in the constructive
12 and helpful attitude of yourself and of individual members
13 of your Government in matters pertaining to the work of our
14 Association. The moral and financial support provided to
15 our Division from its earliest beginnings has been most
16 gratifying to all of us.

17 As you are aware, a number of reports and
18 surveys dealing with some aspects of mental health and men-
19 tal illness have been presented to various Provincial Gov-
20 ernments throughout the years. It is considered, however,
21 that the study now presented is unique in that it encompass-
22 ses a much greater area of concern than did previous reports;
23 and that it was prepared by a highly-qualified group of
24 Island residents who are deeply interested in all matters
25 concerning the mental health of our people.

26 The Prince Edward Island Division of the
27 Canadian Mental Health Association has observed with interest
28 and gratification the increasing recognition by Government
29 of the tremendous problem of mental illness, and hopes that
30 this survey will assist in the planning of future improve-



1 ments in the mental health field.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf
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In the preparation of a report on mental health services, it must always be borne in mind that good mental health involves a much broader areas of concern than that provided by clinical and treatment services. When we consider the prevention of emotional breakdown, we must also concern ourselves with the home, the school, our welfare services and many other aspects of our society. All of these can and do play a part in mental ill health. In preparing this survey we have followed this broad concept.

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7. That lay participation in hospital activities be encouraged.
8. That the hospital become more active in
9. That an adequate number of well-trained personnel be appointed to assume the efficient functioning of the hospital in its various roles.
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11. That the recommendations as referred



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2 and carried out where applicable. (See Appendix "A")
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1 SECTION 2

2 MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS

3 Theoretical Orientation

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5 is to emphasize community services, making it possible for
6 the practice of psychiatry to be carried into the patient's
7 natural environment and every day life situation. Admis-
8 sion to Mental Hospital is seen as only one possilbe phase
9 in the natural history of recovery from mental illness.

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12 by seeing the patient before he needs hospitalization.
13 Contact with the patient is facilitated by good communic-
14 ation between the clinic and the general practitioners,
15 and various organizations in the community. Secondly,
16 by permitting discharge of the hospitalized patient at a
17 much earlier stage of recovery through the provision of
18 follow-up treatment in the Clinics. This works to the
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24 close liaison between the Clinic and the general practi-
25 tioners in the commujity. He should set aside a specific
26 time each week for consultation with the general practi-
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tions would be to do social histories and also take part in treatment. Since the general tendency today is to have the patient pay for services according to his income level, the social workers would also be responsible for assessing the patient's economic situation.

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Anticipated Needs for Mental Health Clinic Services

In attempting to predict where Mental Health Clinics should be placed in Prince Edward Island, this sub-committee divided the Island into geographical areas and ascertained what proportion of the Island's population lived in each of these areas. The areas will be called East, Charlottetown, Central, Summerside, and West. "East" is separated from "Charlottetown" by a line drawn across the Island from a point just east of French Village on the north coast, to a point just east of Vernon on the south coast. "Charlottetown" is divided from "Central" by a line drawn across the province from a point just east of Rustico on the north coast to a point just west of DeSable on the south coast. "Central" is divided from "Summerside" by a line drawn across the province from a point just west of Stanley Bridge on the north coast to a point just west of Augustine Cove on the south coast. "Summerside" is separated from "West" by a line drawn across the province from a point just west of Port Hill on the north

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6 this study, that the number of school children in each
7 of these areas would correlate quite closely with the
8 total population living in each of these areas.

9 The percentage of the total population
10 falling into each area was found to be as follows: East
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12 West 17%.

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14 Mental Health Clinic in Charlottetown was best staffed
15 with psychiatrists to serve adult cases referred to for
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17 tetown Mental Health Clinic had the equivalent of one full
18 time psychiatrist working with adult cases only. In that
19 year 99 adult patients from the Charlottetown area were
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22 we are able to predict that it would require the equiv-
23 alent of two full time Clinics for the entire Island to
24 look after the number of adult cases requiring psychiatric
25 consultation and/or treatment. (For Child Guidance Clinic
26 needs, see the report on Mental Health Problems of Chil-
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1 SECTION 3

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6 children. The Division of Child Welfare was established
7 in 1945; the Liaison Teacher program in 1954; Mothers'
8 Allowances in 1949; the Child Guidance Program in 1955
9 and Speech Therapy Services in 1960. In additon to these
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21 turbed, and in so doing hope to prevent this child from
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24 Much experience has already been gained
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2 For purposes of lucidity we feel it best
3 to discuss these problems under the following headings,
4 while pointing out that our categories are but parts of a
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6 involved should work in a co-operative and integrated ef-
7 fort toward a common goal.

8 1. Child Welfare

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11 children. Iⁱⁿ addition to this, it must investigate all
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14 ren by court action, to rehabilitate the home or protect
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18 sibility of this Division. Along with this agency the
19 private Child Welfare Agencies have some 35-40 children
20 in continuing care, and provide invaluable assistance in
21 the field of adoption.

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23 undergoing a state of flux, which is to be commended and
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18 seven (7) Social Workers to meet only the
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21 to the Division of Child Welfare as is done
22 in Nova Scotia.

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24 ren provided by such services is not a sufficient stimulus
25 for the strengthening of this program--then let it be
26 noted that the expense of such expansion will be, in long
27 range planning, largely covered by increased efficiency
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The deep concern and wise judgment of our Juvenile Court authorities is here commended. Their role must of necessity continue to be the central one in handling these problems. Their function would be expedited by the assistance of personnel trained in the Behavioral Sciences.

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1. That the services of one full-time or two half-time Social Workers be allotted specifically to this problem. (This is included in the number recommended above under Child Welfare.)
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2. To supply this service will require the addition of two full-time Social Workers to the present Clinic Staff and the additional half-time service of a psychologist.

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We would point out that there is also a considerable demand for Speech Therapy among adults.

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1. That another Speech Therapist be started in training immediately.
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14 as this.

15 Recommendation

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17 of a Therapeutic In-Patient Unit for severely
18 disturbed children with an estimated capacity of
19 15 beds.
- 20 2. That before this is established, requirements
21 for staffing, building, and managing such a unit
22 be thoroughly investigated.
- 23 3. That in view of the changing role of our orphan-
24 ages mentioned above, the possibility of co-op-
25 erating with these agencies in such a venture
26 be actively considered.

27 6. Integration of Services

28 We now have a great many organizations concerned
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26 Hopefully, as a result of such discussions,
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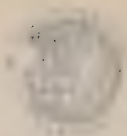
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11 assessment can be provided by the Liaison Teacher, train-
12 ed in Mental Health Principles and in Psychological Test-
13 ing. Furthermore, many of these children deserve Remedial
14 Reading Therapy which often requires the supervision of
15 Liaison Teachers.

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17 the sub-committee's questionnaire sent to all classroom
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19 Speech Problems	470 cases
20 Emotional Problems	266 cases
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23 Total	1,532 cases

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25 means a valid statistical survey, it does give some in-
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5 for retarded children. We would also note that the oppor-
6 tunities afforded the gifted child in our schools are at
7 present inadequate. The gifted child is not only frustrated
8 by his present school experience, but what is worse, his
9 unique talents are not being fully developed. We would in-
10 deed welcome favourable consideration of a policy designed
11 to improve this situation.

12 We also recognize that children in a rural
13 society such as ours are seriously handicapped in choosing
14 their vocation. These children later find themselves poorly
15 informed and ill-equipped to compete in our present techno-
16 logical society. This matter becomes crucial when our
17 children move to the more industrialized areas to seek em-
18 ployment. It is evident that a properly planned Guidance
19 Program is a necessary part of our school service.

20 Recommendations:

- 21 1. That a staff of at least 5 Liaison Teachers be pro-
22 cured.
- 23 2. That our Teacher Training Program be enriched by more
24 instruction in Child Psychology; and that the staff
of our psychiatric facilities be utilized to this end.
- 25 3. That Individual Advancement Classes and Day Training
26 Classes be established for our retarded children.
- 27 4. That Special Classes be established for our gifted
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- 28 5. That a program of Vocational Guidance Counselling be
29 initiated with the employment of at least 2 trained
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9 Training Classes on the Island, and the increasing interest
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17 The work of our sister organization, the
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8 minor aches and pains, to induce relaxation, and in both
9 civil and religious ceremonies. But despite its useful
10 properties, it has ever been a source of personal and soc-
11 ial problems.

12 The the problem of alcoholism exists in this
13 province requires no proof. As to its extent, one may
14 safely say that it is at least as great as in the rest of
15 Canada. There are, therefore, approximately 2,000 alcohol-
16 ics in this province. Furthermore, it must be remembered
17 that, for every alcoholic, there are at least four other
18 people suffering because of him.

19 Each year there are approximately 1,750 per-
20 sons convicted by our courts for offences associated with
21 the use of alcohol. There are approximately 780 jail sen-
22 tences given. The cost to this provinces in dollars and
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24 Any program dealing with this problem should
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10 alcoholic career brings them into conflict with the law,
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13 detailed make-up and workings of a Rehabilitation Centre.
14 Its final form could only be determined by a study of
15 other centres now functioning in other parts of Canada and
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19 side Hospital where many of the needed facilities are al-
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- (d) Home for the Aged (planned to replace Sacred Heart Home) 128 beds

II. Riverside Hospital (Senile Patients)

Approximately 80 (25%) patients out of a total patient population of about 320 are age 65 or over. Not all of these 80 patients are senile, but on the basis of age classification they fall into the geriatric group.

III. Chronic Hospital Units

- (a) Prince Edward Island Hospital -40 beds
- (b) Charlottetown Hospital -40 beds
planned
- (c) Prince County Hospital -40 beds

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29 to be placed.
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3. That the formation of Senior Citizens Clubs or similar
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16 delinquent or young criminal is cut short in his criminal
17 career and his talents and energies directed along proper
18 social channels.

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20 offences against society may be divided into three main
21 classes:

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- 23 2. The diminished-responsible.
- 24 3. The mentally insane.

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2 difference between right and wrong, takes a calculated
3 risk in committing the offence may be properly punished
4 and so taught not to do it again.

5 The mentally insane should be committed to a
6 mental institution where his illness is treated and, hope-
7 fully, cured. If incurable, he may be retained and so
8 removed as a danger to society.

9 The middle group, the diminished-responsible,
10 raises a more difficult problem. They are neither insane
11 nor responsible and special consideration must be given
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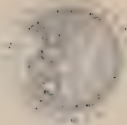
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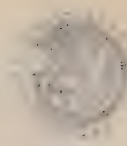
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22 up over a prolonged period; and the relative adequacy of our
23 services make this Province uniquely suited for sociological,
24 epidemiological and follow-up studies.

25 If our services are expanded in somewhat the
26 manner set forth in this brief, we feel confident that the
27 larger foundations, both American and Canadian, will be-
28 come interested in establishing research programs in this
29 area. We would urge strong support for any such possibil-
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1 SECTION 11

2 SUMMATION

3 The total implementation of the recommendations
4 in this report and Appendices would require the following
5 as additional to our presently instituted or concretely
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- 8 (a) A 40-bed unit for the adult retarded.
9 (b) An additional 20-bed cottage for retarded
10 children.
11 (c) A 15-bed unit for emotionally disturbed
12 children (arrangements for this might be
13 made with other agencies.)
14 (d) Rented office space for travelling clinics.
15 (e) An adequate Recreational Centre and Audit-
16 orium at Riverside.
17 (f) A prison farm.

18 2. Staff

19 As stated in the preamble, adequate numbers of
20 well-trained staff are of fundamental importance to the
21 entire program.

22 Staff recommended herein is summarized as
23 follows:

	<u>Staff Required</u>	<u>Presently Employed</u>
<u>Psychiatrists</u>		
Mental Health Clinic	2	nil
Alcoholic Program	$\frac{1}{2}$	nil
Child Program	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1
Riverside Hospital	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
Totals	7	3
<u>Psychologists</u>		
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<u>Social Workers</u>	<u>Staff Required</u>	<u>Presently Employed</u>
Child Welfare	7	2
Riverside and Mental Health Clinics	7½	2
Retarded Children	2	nil
Geriatrics	½	nil
Alcohol Program	2	nil
Courts	<u>1</u>	<u>nil</u>
Totals	20	4

Speech Therapists	4	1
Liaison Teachers	5	1
Vocational Guidance Counsellors	2	nil
Dietitian	1	nil
Chaplains	2(½time)	nil
Pharmacist	1(1/3 time)	nil
Records Librarian	1	nil
Industrial Therapists	3	nil

Additional Attendant Staff Required

Second Retarded Children's Cottage	8
Institution Retarded Adults	13
Therapeutic Residence	8
Ward for Physically Ill, Riverside	<u>5</u>
Total	34

Additional Registered Nurses Required

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Ward for Physically Ill, Riverside	4

Staff
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Employee

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Riverside and Montal

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Charge Nurses, Male and
Female Divisions, Riverside 7

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Additional Staff Education Program Retarded

Children

Day Training School Teachers 2

Individual Advancement Class
Teachers 15

Home Teacher 1

Total 18

The increased cost for this staff over that presently employed or concretely projected for is calculated as \$270,000 per year at present salary levels.

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7 General Hospitals.
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13 Division; a representative of the Prince Edward Is-
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17 continued and expanded.
- 18 4. That provision be made for adequate assessment of
19 patients prior to committal or admission to mental
20 hospital.
- 21 5. That the affiliation program be continued for nursing
22 attendants in General Hospitals.
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25 political or religious affiliation.
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1. That a sufficient number of professional workers be employed to staff two full-time Mental Health Clinics.
2. That Mental Health facilities for adults be re-established in presently existing Mental Health Clinics.
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- (a) That immediate steps be taken to train Social Workers for service in the Division of Child Welfare. Recruits are available, bursaries should be provided.
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15 the Montague, Souris and O'Leary areas.

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17 of two full-time Social Workers to the present Clinic
18 Staff and the additional half-time services of a
19 psychologist.

20 4. Speech Therapy

21 (a) That another Speech Therapist be started in
22 training immediately.

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24 ists be envisioned.

25 5. Therapeutic Residence

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(a) That, as an approach to the integration of health education and welfare services to children, "Bi-Weekly Discussions on Child Services and Child Problems" be set up.

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1. That the psychiatric services provided by government should be operated in such a manner as to assure the continuation of private psychiatry.

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3. That psychiatrists be permitted to practice private psychiatry in our general or mental hospitals in like manner to the privileges extended to practitioners of other branches of medicine in our general hospitals.

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2. That such a program be started only when the services of a half-time psychiatrist, a full-time psychologist, and two full-time social workers can be specifically allocated to this program.
3. That before the institution of this program the above-named staff be given adequate opportunity to thoroughly study similar programs in other centres.

Geriatrics

1. That a Geriatric Patient Placement Committee be organized. This should include representatives from the three types of facility involved (domiciliary care, mental hospital, chronic hospital unit), and a social worker from the Foster Home Program at Riverside. The social worker could be responsible for the compilation of information relevant to the particular patient to be placed.
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5 2. Training of Personnel

6 (a) That police officers and other law-enforcement
7 personnel be given training in basic mental health
8 principles, and especially in the proper handling
9 of the acute psychotic.

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11 be made available to give such instruction.

12 3. Present County Jails

13 (a) That these be used as lock-ups for overnight
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15 trial.

16 (b) That facilities be provided within the build-
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18 juvenile prisoners, adult male prisoners, and juv-
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20 (c) That facilities be provided for private con-
21 sultation with the prisoners by psychiatric staff,
22 social workers and after-care authorities.

23 (d) That some facilities for occupational and
24 recreational activities be provided.

25 4. Prison Farm

26 (a) That a provincial prison farm be established
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- (5) a counselling service to the prison farm authorities provided by the professional staff of the Mental Health Services; advice should be sought regarding segregation, management, and other matters pertaining to the rehabilitation of the prisoner.

The farm products and any articles manufactured by the prisoners should be disposed of so that they do not compete on the local market with products of our provincial economy.

The advice of Mr. B.W. Henheffer, Director of Prisons, Department of the Attorney-General, Fredericton, New Brunswick, should be obtained. He has attained national standing in this type of program.

5. Female and Juvenile Prisoners

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3. That the Government arrange with the Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene, (now the Canadian Mental Health Association), for a regular, periodic survey, to serve as a check and for guidance regarding the developing mental hygiene programme.
4. That an auxiliary committee be organized to promote the work of the Hospital, to interpret it to the public, to undertake the provision of entertainments and special outings, and to supply the patients with reading material, etc.
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6. That attendants be used as supervisors only, working under the direction of a nurse in charge of the ward.
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(b) The duties of each position should be analyzed and clearly defined.

(c) Rules and regulations should be clearly defined and made available to the employees in printed form.

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(e) Salary schedules and payroll policies should be adjusted and revised frequently.

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13 this project. The building and the field should be located
14 in the same vicinity.

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16 the same building is undesirable and long range plans should
17 call for the separation of these two units.

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19 (a) A resevoir or tank to furnish a limited supply
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22 The present situation is not desirable.

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13 12. Resident Staff

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17 should be provided.

18 (c) A hospital formulary should be adopted.

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From the experience gained through the modern techniques of social work, psychology, and psychiatry we now know that homes in crisis can often be stabilized by the provision of adequately trained and properly oriented counselling and counsellors; and if staff is adequate, that crises can often be prevented. Thus we can be reasonably sure of the practicality of this type of program although it does demand a heavy staff.

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2. Special Educational Facilities
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 - (d) Home Teachers
3. Home Strengthening Services
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5. Recreational and Social Facilities
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7. Research
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The program and institution outlined herein would be most adequately handled by a commission composed of representatives of government, and citizens highly interested in this field.

Failing this, the following chart represents possible lines of administration and communication within our present system.

I. DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

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These are classes of 5 to 8 pupils set up in the community for the "trainable" retarded. In such a class emphasis is swung away from academic achievement, and is placed on social training, habit training, training



1 such classes for only half the day. We now have two such
2 classes operating in Charlottetown supported by the Cana-
3 dian Legion and the Provincial Government, with the Char-
4 lottetown School Board providing classroom space at West
5 Kent School.

6 On Prince Edward Island the only area with
7 sufficient population demand for a permanent Day Training
8 School is Charlottetown, and district and our present clas-
9 ses satisfactorily meet this need in this area. The Char-
10 lottetown area Day Training class should be placed in the
11 proposed institution to counteract isolation of the in-
12 stitution from the community.

13 In other areas one would visualize a some-
14 what mobile class, possibly involving three districts with
15 the teacher rotating from one district to the next. Such
16 possible combinations would be the Summerside, O'Leary,
17 and Alberton areas; and the Montague, Murray River -Murray
18 Harbour, and Georgetown areas.

19 Such Day Training Schools would necessarily
20 derive their major support from the Provincial Treasury.
21 In other areas, where there are larger concentrations of
22 population, this level class has progressively been in-
23 cluded in the school system and, in many states, "mandatory
24 legislation" has been passed obliging local school Boards
25 to set up such classes where the demand exists. However,
26 this system could not be used on Prince Edward Island
27 where we have only one area with sufficient demand in it-
28 self; and it seems apparent that where three communities
29 are involved the only method of financing such a program
30 would be from central sources.



Such a program should continue to receive partial support from the community. This would apply especially to the provision for transportation of the children, and/or teacher. If present practice can be used as a guide, this would be forthcoming from Associations for Retarded Children and other service organizations.

(d) Home Teachers

In England, in New Zealand and in many of the states of the U.S.A., mobile teaching services have been provided for "retarded" children or rural areas. In Sweden they have taken it one step further and established mobile classrooms in Volkswagen buses.

Such teachers would serve real needs in:

1. Academic Instruction of retarded children.
 2. The orientation of the teacher of the local one room school.
 3. Support and counselling for the home.
- These services would be improved by the use of correspondence courses, which have been well worked out in other centres.

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III. HOME STRENGTHENING SERVICES

Repeatedly, in talking with personnel active in mental retardation, and in reading the literature concerning this problem one meets two constant refrains.

1. We need more counselling and orientation for families.
2. We need more supervision, and continuing supervision, of the retarded child and adult in the community.



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Such services can be provided only by the provision of highly trained Social Work personnel. These people would have to be mobile as a great deal of their effectiveness would be connected with service to retarded individuals in rural areas.

They would perform the following functions:

- (a) Orientation of the family to the problem of mental retardation.
- (b) Assistance in home training.
- (c) Assistance in home teaching.
- (d) Assistance to parents in planning the most appropriate program for the child, and continuing counselling and supervision to see that this program is carried out.
- (e) Continuing supervision in the community of the retarded individual beyond his discharge from special education classes and/or from the institution.
- (f) Establishment of group counselling and/or group therapy sessions for parents of retarded children.
- (g) Job placement of retarded individuals.
- (h) Counselling of employers of retarded individuals.
- (i) Foster home securement and placement.
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1 This program should achieve two objectives:

2 1. The prevention of home breakdown; through the often
3 preventable stress on the family presented by the retarded
4 child; with a related decrease in the rate of institutional-
5 ization. 2. Supervision of the retarded individual in
6 his assimilation into the community; with a related pre-
7 vention of community problems and an improved handling of
8 community problems should they arise.

9 Adequate services in this line would re-
10 quire, as a minimum, two social workers fully trained and
11 competent in social work techniques. We now have in train-
12 ing, Miss Cummiskey who will be an excellent person to
13 initiate such a program. She should have the help of another
14 social worker to continue and/or extend this program. In
15 addition to this and working under them we could definitely
16 consider the On-Service Training of one or two untrained
17 workers.

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19 workers in the field of retardation are necessary to
20 adequately put across this type of program. The utiliza-
21 tion of other personnel such as Liaison Teachers and Public
22 Health Nurses, is a possibility, but the use of such per-
23 sonnel would be effective only if the key social workers
24 mentioned above are behind it.

25 This type of program will necessarily be
26 closely integrated with the work of the Division of Child
27 Welfare. This is presently possible, even with the gross
28 shortage of staff in this Division. If this shortage of
29 personnel in the Child Welfare staff is relieved (and it
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3 IV. INSTITUTION

4 V. RECREATIONAL AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE COMMUNITY

5 Most areas I visited are establishing such
6 functions for their retarded, and this is necessary and
7 wise. Such services are provided through summer camps,
8 occupational therapy groups, social activities, religious
9 programs, etc.

10 These are best handled by Community Groups
11 and Organizations, such as the A. R. C.'s and should be
12 left in their hands.

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14 VI. PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND RETENTION OF STAFF

15 This is the key problem of any program
16 whether the program be oriented to institutional or com-
17 munity type services. Key staff who are highly trained
18 and highly intuitive to human needs are indispensable.
19 This required adequate salaries for recruitment, and, what
20 is even more important, adequate salaries for the retention
21 of such staff.

22 To maintain the vitality of a program
23 such as this it will be necessary to develop a well organ-
24 ized, continuing Training Program. At the present time
25 one would see this being carried out at the following
26 levels: (a) Federal Mental Health Grants can be used for
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3 Individual Advancement Classes should be selected from ex-
4 perience teachers, and adequate summer school courses are
5 available for their further training. (e) Teachers for
6 the Day Training Class program can be trained in our pre-
7 sent Day Training Class, this being supplemented by summer
8 courses.

9 VII. RESEARCH

10 This may sound fanciful, however, its in-
11 nate logic cannot escape us. The ultimate solution to the
12 problem of mental retardation will come only from research.
13 This is especially true in reference to the biological pro-
14 cesses involved in the development of the human embryo.
15 However, much remains to be known regarding the psychologi-
16 cal, educational, social, and cultural aspects of this con-
17 dition; and in these areas of study Prince Edward Island
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23 dollar expended by the Provincial Government in this field
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25 essarily, this will take some time to build up a usable
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10 As a tentative breakdown of the necessary
11 legislation, we should concern ourselves with the following
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13 (a) Registration - Registration of the mentally re-
14 tardated should be obtained from physicians, clinics, par-
15 ents, etc. This would provide an invaluable survey of this
16 immense problem.

17 (b) Guardianship - Some legislation regarding Pro-
18 vincial guardianship of the retarded individual is necessary
19 to protect the child and/or adult individual in case of
20 calamity to the family. And, also, to give the staff of the
21 organizations concerned with retardation, the necessary
22 responsibility for working out an appropriate program for
23 the retarded individual.

24 (c) Provision for a boarding out program, similar to
25 that now enacted for our mentally ill population.

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2. Residential care of transitional cases.
3. Day care programs.

CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING INSTITUTIONAL CARE

1. Residential care should be provided for only those who cannot be properly cared for in their own home or in a suitable foster home.
2. The institution must be oriented to the development of the individual to the maximum use of his potential. This will involve not only the establishment of a satisfactory emotional climate in the institution, but also extensive use of occupational therapy and industrial therapy. These might be provided in association with the programs now being established at the Riverside Hospital, and also by the use of Falconwood Farm.
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5 6. The institution should serve as a hub for this
6 whole program.

7 ADMISSION POLICY

8 Admission Board

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10 sisting of personnel from the psychiatric, psychological,
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12 only from the Department of Health but also representatives
13 from the Division of Child Welfare and/or other Social
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15 This Board alone should be responsible for
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17 Criteria for Admission to Residential Care

18 1. The Severely Retarded

19 Those retarded of low trainable or non-
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21 beyond that of the home.

22 2. Transitional Cases

23 (a) Those "retarded" who do not have a home or
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2. Transitional Cases (Continued)

transitional care leading toward foster home placement.

(c) Those "retarded" who require temporary placement in the institution for emotional rehabilitation and/or social readjustment - e.g. delinquent retardates.

(d) Those "retarded" who require temporary placement to afford holidays for the parents, or to relieve the home in case of an emergency brought on by sickness or other misfortune.

It is recommended that at least one-third of the bed capacity of the now proposed institution be reserved for cases of "transitional" nature. This will do much to (1) Keep the institution oriented toward achievement, and (a) Break down the potential isolation of the institution from the community.

Those "educable" children coming under this group should be serviced educationally by the special classes in the Charlottetown school system. Such a situation will require negotiations with the Charlottetown School Board.

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7 would be less demand for institutional beds. (b) This
8 type of program will do much to counteract the tendency
9 toward isolation of the institution from the community.

10 In the setting up of such a program service
11 organizations should be relied upon to provide facilities
12 for transportation of the individuals to the institution.

13 PHYSICAL PLANT

14 Operating on the frame of reference of the
15 proposed 20 bed institution postulated to me before my tour,
16 the following points should be made:

17 1. Already the demand, even on the extremely
18 limited admission policy outlined above, exceeds 20 beds.

19 2. The ideal of an initial 20 bed unit should
20 still be retained as this is an excellent size for one unit.

21 3. The "Cottage Plan" of units based on a
22 home-like building with a bed capacity of 20 is undoubtedly
23 the superior type of physical plant. This appears to have
24 little economic disadvantage, and in getting away from the
25 large dormitory type of building the humane aspects of the
26 institution are greatly enhanced. Such a well designed phy-
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2 vision of auxiliary services such as laundry, the institution
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5 tage is an almost indispensable asset in the training and
6 habilitation of the retarded. Centralized dining room faci-
7 lities should, therefore, be avoided. However, it would
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10 individual kitchen placed in each cottage provides insuf-
11 ficient training opportunity to merit its inconvenience.
12 These institutions are working toward a central kitchen
13 despite a very definite bias in years past to the individual
14 cottage kitchen. This being so, it would seem wise that pre-
15 pared food be provided from the already adequate kitchen
16 facilities at Riverside, at least for this initial unit.

17 6. It is self-evident that the cottage
18 should be a one-floor type. This gives the cottage itself
19 greater flexibility, enabling the staff to care for any
20 type of mentally retarded individuals therein, whether they
21 are ambulatory, on wheel chairs, or bedfast. This type of
22 flexibility is particularly necessary in our first unit as
23 it is difficult to foresee just what type of patients we
24 would wish to have there in some 5 to 10 years' time.

25 The second advantage of the one floor plan
26 is that it provides much in the way of safety for the patients
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6 7. The design of our initial unit which
7 will necessarily house a wide range of types of persons with
8 retardation, of many ages and both sexes, will pose a very
9 neat problem in architectural arrangement. This will also
10 call for a quite complex staffing arrangement. However,
11 these will not be insurmountable.

12 8. Professional staff must be included in
13 planning architectural design for the building.

14 9. There should be a master plan for the
15 whole plot envisioning a minimum of three cottages and a
16 maximum of five. This master plan should include appropriate
17 landscaping, driveways, walks, etc.

18 10. Play room space, indoor and outdoor,
19 must be provided. It is felt that sufficient play room space
20 or rainy days should be provided in the basement. In the
21 upstairs dayrooms, and in the basement playroom, dividers
22 for partial separation of groups, should be included.

23 11. Miscellaneous, the plan should provide
24 definite separation of dormitory and dayroom space. There
25 should be outdoor garden space. Room should be provided for
26 sewing machines, washing machines, and dryers for emergency
27 use, and also to provide a "home-like" touch. There should
28 be large bathrooms with at least one water closet for five
29 patients. Tile walls and a terrazzo floors in the dormitory
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use, and also to provide a "home-like" touch. There should
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2 include space for Day Training School facilities, and for
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- 22 3. Speech Therapist

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CONCLUSUION

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Nevertheless, when we think of the 3,000 members of our small Island Society who are at present suffering from our neglect we must realize that it is well past time that we did get concerned about this problem.

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3 problem. It seems indeed, that it is we who have been ir-
4 responsible; and it is certainly we who are the losers.
5 Having sown the wind we reap the whirlwind, in unhappy dis-
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7 lem Families; in an unproductive group of workers called
8 the "no-goods"; in distressed families faced by distressing
9 problems with their retarded sons or brothers, daughters
10 or sisters.

11 Also in the light of present knowledge, we
12 must appreciate the fact that while it is only by the sheer-
13 est of coincidence that we have been blessed with children
14 of normal intelligence, others equally suited for this hap-
15 py state by heredity, achievement and worth, are left by us
16 with little or no help in dealing with the staggering prob-
17 lem presented by their "retarded child."

18 In view of all this we must conclude that
19 such a program is neither "impractical" nor "idealistic".
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1 It is the earnest desire of the Women's
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3 mission on Health Needs in Canada when it sits in Charlotte-
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9 Yours very truly,

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4 The Prince Edward Island Teacher's Federa-
5 tion has reviewed with interest the Survey of Mental Health
6 Needs (1961) prepared by the Canadian Mental Health Associa-
7 tion. Several of our most active members have been involved
8 in the composition of this survey, and a majority of our
9 teachers participated in the compilation of some of the
10 statistics contained therein.

11 We would go on record as endorsing this
12 survey and its recommendations, particularly those having
13 to do with Mental Health in the school.

14 Respectfully submitted,

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16 Prince Edward Island Teachers'
17 Federation

18 (Anna K. Riley)

19 General Secretary
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7 Since 1955 our Charlottetown Branch has
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9 Retarded Children in the Charlottetown area. Many of our
10 branches have been actively engaged in the various volunteer
11 and fund raising activities of the Canadian Mental Health
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13 At our annual Provincial Convention held in
14 Souris on September 9th of this year the following resolu-
15 tion was unanimously passed.

16 Whereas the Federal Government has appointed
17 a Royal Commission to enquire into the "existing facilities
18 and the future need for health services for the people of
19 Canada, and the resources to provide such services, and to
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21 ensure that the best possible health care is available to
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6 to carry out the full extent of this resolution. We would,
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9 principles contained in the Submission to your Commission
10 by the Canadian Mental Health Association.

11 Respectfully submitted,

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1 ---EXHIBIT NO. 34: Brief of Canadian Mental
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5 discussion on this brief, and we will attempt to
6 answer any questions among the delegation here.

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8 wish to add anything by way of explanation or comments
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19 merely want that psychiatric illness or mental illness
20 be paid for in the same manner as all other illness.
21 We are not advising any particular way, merely that
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1 Each year more and more psychiatric patients are
2 admitted. This is a thing that may seem surprising
3 at first, because among people we often find the idea
4 that many psychiatric patients are very disturbed and
5 they need restraint, etc. This is not true. It
6 is only a very small minority of patients who need
7 custodial care, and a very small number that would
8 need restraint. I think this grew up from our
9 culture in the days when the village idiot was teased.
10 This is a misapprehension that we people generally
11 are under, that a high number of people are not
12 suitable to be treated in a general hospital.

13 No. 2 also is a move toward making it the
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16 as any other hospital is visited, so they familiarize them-
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18 think the basis of treatment is that the mentally ill
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20 They should not be allowed to make this retreat a
21 final one; they must be kept in contact with reality,
22 and this is best done in the concept of what is a
23 general hospital, although there will be a few
24 patients who have degenerated and who are best kept
25 in a custodial type of institution.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, the criminally insane.
27 For instance, a person is found not guilty in a court
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11 that require incarceration. This problem hasn't
12 presented itself to us as yet, although it might.
13 If we had the facilities I think it would be a mistake
14 to turn the hospital into a prison. I think we should
15 use other facilities in other provinces for that type
16 of thing.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Then you have another facet
18 of the same problem, the person who finds himself
19 in court and, as you know, the magistrate or the
20 judge -- provision is made whereby this person may be
21 sent to an institution for a period up to 30 days
22 for observation, to report back to the court whether
23 or not he is fit to stand trial. How are those
24 people handled?

25 DR. BECK: There again they are handled the
26 same way, and there again we ask that the court sends
27 them to us as a hospital rather than a prison.

28 THE CHAIRMAN: In that context it is perhaps
29 easy to follow because they have not been convicted
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DR. BROWN: There again they are handled the same way, and there again we say that the court sends them to us as a hospital rather than a prison.

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20 MR. PEAKE: Springhill.

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18 practitioner? I could quote that it has been said,
19 and it is written in the literature that 90 per
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14 and maybe he can speak to this.

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17 mental illness would be able to insure against that,
18 and that is on the first page of your submission this
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9 extent of psychiatric illness that leads to inefficiency
10 and productivity, or ...?

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I will be very
12 glad to elaborate on the question a little further.
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5 how we can determine the economic impact of mental
6 ill health.

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9 question you would like to have answered. It is
10 also a question I would like to be able to answer.
11 I am not sure that I can. My first observation would
12 be this: that this is a unique approach to illness.
13 Most illnesses we treat because people are sick, and
14 we want to get them well. We treat people because
15 they are sick, not because they are not productive.
16 As a physician this is my primary area of concern.
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5 majority of them would have been productive. I
6 can back this up to this extent, that in the past
7 five years we have had relatively adequate treatment
8 facilities at Riverside for our schizophrenics,
9 and during that period only two of the patients
10 admitted have become chronic patients.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Out of how many,
12 sir?

13 DR. BECK: I couldn't give you an exact
14 figure, but it would be 100 to 200. It would be
15 more than 100. I think this is a concrete answer
16 to the answer of productivity. I think there are
17 many cities in the community who are schizophrenic
18 and relatively unproductive, vagrant drifters, but
19 this kind of thing I haven't any figures on. But
20 if we could get these people and treat them I think
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23 "Thank God we are Neurotic". There was an
24 article in Maclean's a couple of weeks ago talking
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27 neurosis decreases a person's productivity, and with
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10 and in order to make your assessment you have to know
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13 a month or should he be treated to become a productive
14 person. It is a question of who is helping him,
15 whether we should support him or whether we are putting
16 another leach on the national economy.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you, Mr. Peake
18 for your suggestion and we will follow it up in Ottawa.

19 DR. MALONEY: I can't answer the question
20 of Dr. Firestone's, but I think it can be refined
21 further. If you take the total loss of productivity
22 in a country you can then split off immediately your
23 70,000 people who are in mental hospitals, and you
24 know what it costs, and then you take what remains.
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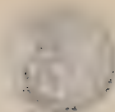
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It has been repeatedly and convincingly demonstrated in both psychiatric and child care services that any individual whether of normal intelligence or retarded, will develop a more adequate personality pattern under the influence of his own home than under the influence of even our best institutions. Although there remains the odd exception to this rule, this principle has been established beyond any reasonable shadow of doubt.

It therefore becomes mandatory that any program for the satisfactory handling of this problem must be done with this principle being as carefully adhered to as possible.

Again, especially deriving from the experience of Children's Aid Societies and other child welfare agencies, the professionals concerned have been repeatedly to demonstrate that where possible, and where

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2 satisfactorily therein than in our most adequate
3 institutions. Again, this principle in any well
4 rounded program will be ignored only to the detriment
5 of the effectiveness of that program.

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8 of our society, and also that where a satisfactory
9 home is not in existence that substitute homes should
10 be provided, it becomes essential that any development
11 in the area of care for retarded children should centre
12 on the provision of service facilities to the home and
13 in the community rather than in the provision of large
14 and expensive institutions, which cannot measure up to
15 the results obtained by home-based programs.

16 From the experience gained through the modern
17 techniques of social work, psychology, and psychiatry,
18 we now know that homes in crisis can often be
19 stabilized by the provision of adequately trained and
20 properly oriented counselling and counsellors; and if
21 staff is adequate, that crises can often be prevented.
22 Thus we can be reasonably sure of the practicality of
23 this type of program although it does demand a heavy
24 staff.

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18 services within institutions".

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10 Primary stress should indeed be placed on
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15 However, one other key role remains for the
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22 would be stimulated by the personnel of the educational
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5. Recreational and Social Facilities

6. Professional Training and Retention of Staff

7. Research

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The program and institution outlined herein would be most adequately handled by a commission composed of representatives of government, and citizens highly interested in this field.

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I. DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

Adequate diagnostic services present the basis for any well designed program. This will require the active involvement of the Child Guidance Team at the Mental Health Clinic (psychiatrist, psychologist, and social worker), as well as the active participation of the pediatricians of Charlottetown, and close co-operation with the general practitioners of the province. The Liaison Teachers program, which is in the process of development, will play a key role in diagnoses and case finding.

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7 These are classes set up within the existing school
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9 each student increased individual attention from the
10 teacher. Here the child is allowed to move ahead at
11 his own rate, and is thus not subject to the frustra-
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17 magnitude of the problem) and can be projected as follows:
18 in the Charlottetown area working from theoretical
19 figures we would need 6 to 8 such classes. In the
20 Summerside area working from already established
21 figures we need 2 to 4 such classes. In addition, in
22 centres such as Montague, Kensington and comparable towns
23 we would need 1 to 2 such classes in each community.

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3 principles and are now functioning in the Division of
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6 vision by the clinic staff, and On-Service Training
7 by our Psychologist). School Psychologists in the
8 Summerside and Charlottetown areas would contribute
9 immeasurably to the success of such a program.

10 "Educable" children should remain in a
11 special class setting up to the age of at least 16,
12 indeed, in countries with a highly developed program
13 such as Sweden, it is now becoming common practice
14 to keep them in such classes until the age of 20 to 21.

15 It should be noted that the removal of the
16 slow learners from the ordinary classroom is of great
17 help in speeding the progress of the students of
18 normal intelligence.

19 Although the above-noted frustration is
20 experienced by the "retarded" student in the graded
21 classroom, this is not as marked with the "retarded"
22 student who receives his education in a one room school.
23 Other things being equal (which is often not the case
24 with our present high concentration of unqualified
25 teachers in the one room schools) the retarded educable
26 child in the one room school can move along at his own
27 pace without unduly disturbing the academic routine
28 of the school, and there can take advantage of the
29 learning opportunities presented when younger students
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13 (b) Improvement in the training of teachers in
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15 normal school level.

16 (c) Increased orientation of teachers to the
17 needs of retarded children through counselling
18 by Social Workers, Liaison Teachers, and Home
19 Teachers.

20 (d) Home Teaching Services.

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22 Specialized Classes in the larger centres.

23 This would best be done by the parents or by
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18 or state bodies. In most areas the state or
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21 3. Expanded Liaison Teacher Services.

22 4. Permissive or Mandatory Legislation (see below)

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24 (c) Day Training Classes

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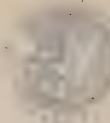


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17 Such possible combinations would be the Summerside,
18 O'Leary, and Alberton areas; and the Montague, Murray
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20 Such Day Training Schools would necessarily
21 derive their major support from the Provincial Treasury.
22 In other areas, where there are larger concentrations
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26 School Boards to set up such classes where the demand
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 School Boards to set up such classes where the demand
 exists. However, this system could not be used on
 Prince Edward Island where we have only one area with
 sufficient demand to itself; and it seems apparent
 that where three communities are involved the only method



1 of financing such a program would be from central
2 sources.

3 Such a program should continue to receive
4 partial support from the community. This would apply
5 especially to the provision for transportation of
6 the children, and/or teacher. If present practice can
7 be used as a guide, this would be forthcoming from
8 Associations for Retarded Children and other service
9 organizations.

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11 In England, in New Zealand and in many of
12 the states of the U.S.A., mobile teaching services
13 have been provided for "retarded" children of rural
14 areas. In Sweden they have taken it one step further
15 and established mobile classrooms in Volkswagen buses.

16 Such teachers would serve real needs in:

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18 2. The orientation of the teacher of the local one
19 room school.
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22 dence courses, which have been well worked out in
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1 Repeatedly, in talking with personnel
2 active in mental retardation, and in reading the
3 literature concerning this problem one meets two
4 constant refrains.

- 5 1. We need more counselling and orientation for
6 families.
- 7 2. We need more supervision, and continuing super-
8 vision, of the retarded child and adult in the
9 community.

10 Such services can be provided only by the
11 provision of highly trained Social Work personnel.
12 These people would have to be mobile, as a great deal
13 of their effectiveness would be connected with service
14 to retarded individuals in rural areas.

15 They would perform the following functions:

- 16 (a) Orientation of the family to the problem of
17 mental retardation.
- 18 (b) Assistance in home training.
- 19 (c) Assistance in home teaching.
- 20 (d) Assistance to parents in planning the most
21 appropriate program for the child, and con-
22 tinuing counselling and supervision to see that
23 this program is carried out.
- 24 (e) Continuing supervision in the community of the
25 retarded individual beyond his discharge from
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- 1 (g) Job placement of retarded individuals.
- 2 (h) Counselling of employers of retarded individuals.
- 3 (i) Foster home securement and placement.
- 4 (j) The use of foster homes as "half-way houses"
- 5 between the institution and the community as
- 6 transitional centres to independent community
- 7 placement.

8 This program should achieve the two objectives:

- 9 1. The prevention of home breakdown, through the
- 10 often preventable stress on the family presented by the
- 11 retarded child; with a related decrease in the rate of
- 12 institutionalization.
- 13 2. Supervision of the retarded individual in his
- 14 assimilation into the community; with a related pre-
- 15 vention of community problems and an improved handling
- 16 of community problems should they arise.

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12 working out an appropriate program for the retarded
13 individual.

14 (c) Provision for a boarding out program, similar
15 to that now enacted for our mentally ill
16 population.

17 (d) Educational - Either of the "permissive" or
18 "mandatory" type, that is, legislation either enabling
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1. Residential care should be provided for only those who cannot be properly cared for in their own home or in a suitable foster home.
2. The institution must be oriented to the development of the individual to the maximum use of his potential. This will involve not only the establishment of a satisfactory emotional climate in the institution, but also extensive use of occupational therapy and industrial therapy. These might be provided in association with the programs now being established at the Riverside Hospital, and also by the use of Falconwood Farm.
3. The institution should be designed to approximate a normal home situation as closely as possible. This will involve consideration in planning the physical plant of the institution, and especially in the planning, selection and training of staff.
4. Active recognition and prevention of isolation of the institution from the community is necessary and should proceed along lines outlined elsewhere.
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6. The institution should serve as a hub for this
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ADMISSION POLICY

Admission Board

An admission board should be set up consisting
of personnel from the psychiatric, psychological,
social work and pediatric fields; with representation
not only from the Department of Health but also re-
presentatives from the Division of Child Welfare and/or
other Social Agencies.

This board alone should be responsible for
admission and discharge from the institution.

Criteria for Admission to Residential Care

1. The Severely Retarded

Those retarded of low trainable or non-trainable
levels whose care demands nursing facilities beyond
that of the home.

2. Transitional Cases

(a) Those "retarded" who do not have a home or
who are from an unsuitable home, and require
transitional care leading to foster home
placement.

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(b) Those "retarded" who place an undue
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(c) Those "retarded" who require temporary placement in the institution for emotional rehabilitation and/or social readjustment - e.g. delinquent retardates.

(d) Those "retarded" who require temporary placement to afford holidays for the parents, or to relieve the home in case of an emergency brought on by sickness or other misfortune.

It is recommended that at least one-third of the bed capacity of the now proposed institution be reserved for cases of "transitional" nature. This will do much to (1) Keep the institution oriented toward achievement, and (a) Break down the potential isolation of the institution from the community.

Those "educable" children coming under this group should be serviced educationally by the special classes in the Charlottetown school system. Such a situation will require negotiations with the Charlottetown School Board.

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night, provides an excellent method of handling even the severely retarded.

As well as providing an excellent service to the "retarded", the provision of this type of program has other advantages,

(a) By thus serving the one-fifth of the Island's population in the Charlottetown area the expense of the total program would be considerably reduced, as there would be less demand for institutional beds. (b) This type of program will do much to counteract the tendency toward isolation of the institution from the community.

In the setting up of such a program service organizations should be relied upon to provide facilities for transportation of the individuals to the institution.

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1. Already the demand, even on the extremely limited admission policy outlined above, exceeds 20 beds.

2. The idea of an initial 20 bed unit should still be retained as this is an excellent size for one unit.

3. The "Cottage Plan" of units based on a home-like building with a bed capacity of 20 is undoubtedly the superior type of physical plant. This

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the physical care of the patients.

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12 2. The Child Guidance Clinic Team.
13 3. Speech Therapist.

14 Home Strengthening Services

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1 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. MacNaught.

2 Does any one of your associates wish to add anything
3 to what has been said by way of comment?

4 MR. MacNAUGHT: They are prepared to
5 answer any questions that are asked.

6 DR. BECK: Not particularly, except one
7 item as you were reading. Miss Comiskey, who is
8 behind me, is a social worker working full time in
9 retardation, and this implication does not seem to
10 come out of the brief. She has just recently joined
11 our services.

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16 for hospitalization. Is that the right place
17 generally for such a person, hospitalization in the
18 terms that we look at hospitalization, especially
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21 is that the ordinary hospitalization, not per se
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23 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I am just questioning
24 whether that is the right place, as compared for
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6 submitted by Dr. Beck to the Minister of Health for
7 the province of Prince Edward Island in July 1959?

8 MR. MacNAUGHT: Yes.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In other words,
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14 MR. MacNAUGHT: That is correct, absolutely.

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24 recommendations contained in your report?

25 DR. BECK: Very definitely.

26 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would it be
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7 estimate of what the cost would be on present
8 salary levels, and forward that to you, if that would
9 be satisfactory?

10 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: This would be more
11 than adequate, thank you.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Have you any further
13 observations to make, Mr. MacNaught, or your
14 associates?

15 DR. BECK: Could I carry one point in here,
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8 you have any supplementary information on this
9 subject, we certainly would appreciate it.

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11 specific than what I have included here, other than
12 this, which I can give you verbally. Our theoretical
13 figures are that three per cent of children are
14 retarded, 75 per cent of these are educable. 20
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21 because of the fact that from our diagnostic clinics
22 we now know 150, and we can assume that the other
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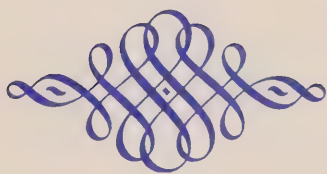
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ROYAL COMMISSION ON HEALTH SERVICES

Proceedings of the hearing
held in Fredericton, N.B.,
9th day of November, 1961.

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Fredericton, N.B. 2214
Thursday,
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--- On commencing at 10.00 a.m.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Premier, ladies and gentlemen, as advertised, the Commission is in the Province of New Brunswick today and also tomorrow to hear submissions from those who wish to make their views known and to furnish information to the Commission set up by the Government of Canada to inquire into health services. We are anxious to be as fully informed as possible. We are going to all provinces because we wish to get additional to the view of Canada as a whole the views and particular problems and matters of concern provincially.

There is another and important and valid reason why it must give very careful consideration to the provincial viewpoint, and that is because under the British North America Act there is a division of powers, and basically health falls within provincial jurisdiction and, therefore, any programme of health services which could be evolved or recommended must necessarily take into consideration fully the provincial position and the fact of our constitutional position under the British North America Act.

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2 It emphasizes what we already know: your profound
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4 sideration of this most important subject.

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11 to be here, and now that I am here I am extremely happy
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13 had come in contact in Winnipeg earlier this year. I
14 came in contact, I should say, with all his charms, and
15 I know as well that the other members of the Commission
16 are very charming people. They are most welcome in
17 New Brunswick. I do trust that the people who will appear
18 before you will have been adequately prepared and will be
19 in a position to let you know what the health picture of
20 New Brunswick is at the present time.

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22 in Prince Edward Island the Premier had claimed credit
23 for the good weather. Perhaps I should do the same,
24 because we enjoy today good weather.

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We have prepared an agenda, and I will run through it. The first submission will be from the Minister of Health of the Province of New Brunswick. It will be followed by a submission from the Victorian Order of Nurses, then by the Maritime Hospital Services Association, the New Brunswick Psychiatrist Association, the New Brunswick Dental Society, the New Brunswick Dental Technicians Association. We will see how we progress as the day goes. We contemplate receiving the submission of the New Brunswick Medical Society at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, to be followed by the Pharmaceutical Society, the New Brunswick Association for Retarded Children. However, if time permits, we will hear the Pharmaceutical Society this afternoon. Then, tomorrow, the Registered Nurses Association.

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Brief of Department
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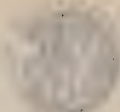
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INTRODUCTION

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- (b) Accounting
- (c) Hospital Services
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- (e) Tuberculosis Service
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- (h) Rehabilitation Services
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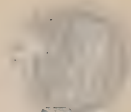


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(b) The qualified District Medical Health Officers are in short supply. We have 4 fully qualified and two physicians in an acting capacity. The full complement required would be a total of 9 fully qualified individuals. The Public Health Nursing Service requires an additional 45 qualified public health nurses. The adult poliomyelitis immunization program requires more emphasis and expansion at this time.

(c) The mental health services of the province are deficient in trained professional personnel and community psychiatric clinics. The mental hospital



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6 This problem is now in the planning stage.

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8 in Section D of the submission, from this it will be
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14 and will reach the point of being adequate by 1965.
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17 provide 190 beds and extensions to existing hospitals
18 and replacement of obsolete structures, with larger
19 modern structures will provide a net gain of 212 beds.
20 This would provide a complement of 3759 beds in general
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22 and convalescent hospital are required. It is estimated
23 that 990 such beds should be provided by 1965. Homes
24 for the Aged and Nursing Homes, which are a responsibility
25 of the Department of Welfare in this province, require
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1 on this item is very extensive in view of the fact that
2 at the present time 61% of our population is composed
3 of mothers in the child bearing age and children up to
4 19 years of age. By 1971 we estimate this group will
5 form 64% of our population. Healthy children is the most
6 valuable asset of any country and we cannot have healthy
7 children without healthy mothers. The conclusions and
8 recommendations reached in this section are too numerous
9 for comment here.

10 (g) Medical rehabilitation facilities require
11 expansion at this time. We require the expansion of an
12 existing centre to provide 40 additional beds. One new
13 centre to serve the north of the province with out-
14 patient facilities and 60 new beds. Establishment of
15 physiotherapy departments at 8 general hospitals and a
16 mobile assessment clinic to serve the province. Addition-
17 al staff required for this expansion would be one doctor
18 trained as a specialist in Physical Medicine and an ad-
19 ditional 39 trained physiotherapists, some of which
20 should be bi-lingual.

21 (h) Cancer services are now considered fairly
22 adequate and no suggestions are offered at this time.

23 (i) To provide this service to the population
24 of the province, requires a marked expansion. The ratio
25 of dentists to population is 1:5175, while the national
26 average is 1:3018. Dental service for children requires
27 the establishment of 25 dental clinics, as well as, an
28 extensive training program for professional personnel
29 to alleviate the shortage of trained individuals. The
30 annual cost of a complete dental care program excluding
50% of the cost of artificial dentures is estimated at



1 \$2,920,000.00 or a per capita cost of \$5.45.

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6 facilities are required as well as additional Pathologists.
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8 cost of \$190,000.00. Additional equipment in 12 hospital
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13 personnel has been assisted substantially by the
14 Department of Health during the past 10 years. Annual
15 expenditures on this item are averaging \$250,000.00.
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17 with this assistance over the past 10 years. Facilities
18 exist in this province for training nurses, nurse
19 assistants, laboratory technicians and X-ray technicians.
20 There is also some resident training facilities in
21 Psychiatry, Pathology, Radiology and Interne Training.
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24 in general hospitals at this time show an excess of 43
25 over the standard requirement. In 1958 statistics
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27 was higher in New Brunswick than any other Province of
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There are 99 doctors on full time salary.

There are 389 doctors in private practice of medicine, of which, 154 are qualified as specialists and 235 are general practitioners. Please refer to tables and sketch map in Section K of the submission for distribution of medical manpower.

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(m) Prescription drugs are all provided in hospitals of the province. These were provided in 1960 at a cost of \$1,263,000.00 from public funds, included in this amount was the drug costs at D.V.A. Hospital, Lancaster. This total resulted in an expenditure of \$2.04 per capita. It is further estimated that the provision of prescription drugs outside hospital, excluding vitamin preparations would cost \$1,922,000.00 annually or a per capita cost of \$3.10. This estimate is based on the assumption that generic, chemical or non-proprietary nomenclature might be instituted which we feel might result in an appreciable saving on this service. It is to be noted then that provision of drugs for in-patients and for the population outside hospital would be an estimated cost of \$3,185,000.00 or a per capita cost of \$5.14.

1:1530. The national average at the present time is 1:882. The total number of medical doctors are divided into categories as follows:

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1 (n) Section N in the submission deals with the
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4 and listed according to priority.

5 Priority I - It is estimated that to provide
6 a complete Maternity Care Plan would cost a total of
7 \$1,638,000.00 in 1962 or a cost of \$2.64 per capita of
8 total population.

9 Priority II - It is estimated that to provide
10 a complete Medical Care Plan for all children up to the
11 seventeenth birthday would cost a total of \$4,860,800.
12 00 in 1962 or a cost of \$7.84 per capita of total
13 population.

14 Priority III - It is estimated to provide a
15 complete Medical Care Plan for all the population, ex-
16 cluding those covered by present Acts of Federal and
17 Provincial jurisdiction, would cost a total of \$12,
18 341,000.00 or a cost of \$19.90 per capita of the total
19 population. The above estimates include the cost of
20 prescription drugs outside hospital. In any future
21 extension of health services provided from Provincial
22 public funds, it is hoped that substantial assistance
23 from the Government of Canada would be provided, giving
24 due regard to the fiscal need of the area or province
25 concerned. At the present time all health services from
26 public funds, excluding the Department of Veterans'
27 Affairs Hospital, Lancaster, N.B., are being provided at
28 a per capita cost of \$50.45, of which a per capita of
29 \$13.17 is recovered from the Government of Canada. To
30 provide complete health services would cost an additional



\$25.35 per capita. In the event of this provision, it is hoped a substantial portion of this per capita cost might be recovered from the Government of Canada as assistance.

SECTION A

UTILIZATION OF NATIONAL HEALTH GRANTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK

The National Health Grants were initiated by the Federal Government through its Department of National Health and Welfare. The effective date was April 1, 1948. The purpose of these grants was to provide assistance to the various provincial governments in extending existing health services and providing new health services for the people of each province.

This report and its statistics cover the fiscal year of 1960-61, that is, a period from April 1, 1960 to March 31, 1961. The figures provided are rounded to the nearest hundred.

NON MATCHING GRANTS

Expenditures from these grants are claimed by the province one hundred per cent up to the maximum of the grant.

(a) Professional Training \$85,500.00 Amount of Grant
Expenditure, \$71,700.00 Per Cent of Grant, 83%

This expenditure was utilized in the training of personnel employed in active treatment general hospitals.

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Expenditure, \$11,000.00. For cost of grant, 63%

This expenditure was derived in the following

of personnel employed in active treatment General

Hospitals.



(b) Mental Health \$312,800.00 Amount of Grant

Expenditure, \$312,800.00 Per Cent of Grant, 100%

The above is made up of \$42,000.00 for post-graduate training of mental health personnel. The remainder provided for the operation of four regional mental health clinics and the service in Psychology and Psychiatric Social Work at our two large mental hospitals in the province.

This grant provided 10% of the total cost of mental health services in New Brunswick.

(c) Tuberculosis Control \$157,500.00 Amount of Grant

Expenditure, \$157,500.00 Per Cent of Grant, 100%

This expenditure provided anti-tuberculous drugs to the extent of \$29,000.00. The operation of ten diagnostic clinics and the control centre at \$34,000.00. The provision of a Regional Tuberculosis Consultant Service at \$14,000.00 and the remainder was used to provide a rehabilitation service in the four treatment institutions of the province.

(d) General Public Health \$504,500.00 Amount of Grant

Expenditure, \$461,700.00 Per Cent of Grant, 91%

Training of public health personnel to the extent of \$73,000.00.

Equipment for University School of Nursing, \$13,000.00.

Salaries and travel of public health nursing personnel, \$165,000.00. Sanitation services, \$53,000.

Public health laboratory tests on milk and water, \$17,000.00.

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personnel, \$16,000.00. Sanitation services, \$58,000.

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Training of public health personnel for the

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1 Hospital Service Plan, \$38,000.00.

2 Poliomyelitis vaccine, \$23,000.00.

3 Glaucoma and Auditory Clinic \$12,000.00.

4 Venereal Disease Control, \$13,000.00.

5 Laboratory Services, \$7,000.00.

6 Assistance to the Canadian Council on Hospital
7 Accreditation, \$1,000.00.

8 Paediatric Diagnostic and Therapeutic Clinics,
9 \$3,600.00.

10 The remainder was expended on several small
11 items in the public health field.

12 (e) Child and Maternal Health \$76,500.00 Amount of Grant.

13 Expenditure, \$42,100.00 Per Cent of Grant, 55%

14 This expenditure provided for the direction
15 of the program in the field of nutrition and health to
16 the extent of \$28,000.00. The training of a nutrition-
17 ist \$1,000.00 and post-graduate training of profession-
18 al personnel in the field of child and maternal health
19 to the extent of \$13,000.00.

20 MATCHING GRANTS

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22 Any claim from these grants requires that an
23 equal and matching expenditure be made by the province.

24 (f) Hospital Construction \$1,411,600.00

25 Expenditure, \$508,000.00 Per Cent of Grant, 36%

26 The amount of this Grant is made up of two
27 parts. One part of \$590,000.00 which is the grant for
28 the year under review, while the remainder is money
29 revoted from previous years which is allotted to hospital
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to the extent of \$18,000.00.

REVENUE

All other than these funds received from

grants and matching expenditures are made by the province.

(f) Hospital Construction \$1,417,000.00

Expenditure, \$200,000.00 Per Cent of Grant, 14%

The amount of this grant is made up of two

parts. One part of \$50,000.00 which is the grant for

the year under review, while the remainder is money

reverted from previous years which is allocated to hospital

construction projects which are under construction for



which have not been completed.

(g) Cancer Control \$70,000.00 Amount of Grant
Expenditure, \$62,500.00 Per Cent of Grant, 89%

A portion of this amount to the extent of \$12,500.00 was given to the National Cancer Institute to assist in research. The remainder was utilized to assist the province in providing diagnostic service for cancer at six clinics, out-patient X-ray and biopsy service, the service of consultants and all types of radiotherapy on an out-patient basis.

Effective March 1, 1961, this service has been extended to include the provision of medical, surgical, anaesthetic and consultant fees for service on all cases of proven malignant neoplasm, while such cases are in-patients of approved active treatment general hospitals. It is estimated the cancer control program will not cost the province \$250,000.00 annually, half of which will be claimed from the federal source under the grants program.

PARTIALLY MATCHING GRANTS

Expenditures from these grants may be claimed one hundred per cent for training and equipment, while the service to individuals is on a matching basis.

(h) Medical Rehabilitation & Crippled Children \$95,000.00 Amount of Grant
Expenditure, \$77,500.00 Per Cent of Grant, 81%

Training of personnel was provided to the extent of \$12,500.00 and \$65,000.00 was claimed from the grant to assist the province in providing rehabilitation



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The total of all National Health Grants available to the province for the present year is \$1,895,000.00, while the provincial expenditure from public funds for health services, excluding hospital services under the Federal - Provincial Hospital Service Plan, is estimated at approximately \$12,000,000.00. Thus it is evident that Federal assistance given under National Health Grants will provide approximately 15% of this cost in the present year.

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	<u>Full Time</u>	<u>Half-Time</u>
Department of Health	48	4
Victorian Order of Nurses	40	-
Red Cross Society	7	-
Tuberculosis Association	3	-
Gyro Club	1	-
Industrial Health	9	-
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2 Health Unit rather than on a County basis. Geographical
3 boundaries make for greater travelling and more wear
4 and tear on staff, because of duplication of reports,
5 etc.

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7 provided from public funds is directed by the Division
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9 a main biological depot and 28 sub-depots located
10 through-out the Province. These depots provide 23 separate
11 and distinct biological preparations, the major portion
12 of which is without charge to the patient or the physician.
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14 make a charge for his professional service. Programs in
15 immunization carried out by the Department of Health
16 are entirely free to the patient. The biological service
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There are approximately 40,000 adults in the younger age groups who have received protection against this disease. The following table reflects the morbidity and mortality state relative to poliomyelitis in this Province in 1960.

Age Distribution and Vaccination Status

<u>Age</u>	<u>No. of Cases</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
0-5 yrs	20	0	4- one injection, 3-two injections, 1-three injections, 12-unknown.
5-10 yrs	26	1	4-one injection, 3-two injections, 2-three injections, 17-unknown. One death had no injections.
10-15 yrs	24	0	2-one injection; 1-two injections, 21-unknown.
15-20 yrs	10	1	1-two injections, 9-unknown. One death had two injections.
20-39 yrs	10	0	No vaccination.
40-59 yrs	1	0	No vaccination.
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Total	91	2	

5. The aim of the Venereal Disease Control Service of the Department of Health is to decrease the incidence and limit the spread of venereal infection by the following methods:

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25 yrs	26	1	4-- one injection, 3-- two injections, 2-- three injections, death had no
10-15 yrs	24	0	2-- one injection, 2-- no injection
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Total	91	2	

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(b) Provision of current information on diagnosis and treatment to physicians on request and educational material to the general public.

(c) Provision of free antibiotics for the treatment of all cases and payment to the physicians for professional services.

(d) INvestigation of contacts.

(e) Compilation of statistical data.

In the major city of the province which is an ocean port, this Department provides a Social Hygiene Clinic which provides diagnosis, treatment and contact investigation for a population of 84,000 people, in the remainder of the province this service is provided by local physicians and public health nurses. This service was provided in 1960 at a cost of \$27,000.00 and 50% of this cost is claimed from National Health Grants. From statistics available, it is anticipated that there will be no marked increase in this problem in the future, therefore, no increase in expenditures is anticipated. The following statistics will be of interest in conveying the Communicable Disease picture as it stands in New Brunswick at the present time.

Notifiable Diseases

<u>1959 Disease</u>		<u>Number of Cases Reported in 1960</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
13	Dysentery	4	
	amoebic	1	
13	bacillary	3	
89	Influenza (epidemic)	51	29

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1950 Disease		Number of Cases Reported in 1950		Percent	
13	Dysentery	4			
13	Amoebic	1			
13	Bacillary	3			
89	Influenza (epidemic)	51			59



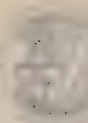
1	102	Hepatitis (infectious)	82	4
2	7	Meningitis (meningococcal)	9	1
3	22	Meningitis (benign aseptic)	22	
4	62	Poliomyelitis (paralytic)	91	2
5	57	Scarlet Fever & Streptococcal Sore Throat	189	1
6	479	Tuberculosis, all forms	443	20
7	415	pulmonary	410	
	64	non-pulmonary	33	
8				
9	9	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	3	
10	330	Venereal Disease - all forms	332	
	280	gonorrhoea	317	
11	50	syphilis	15	
12	2	Encephalitis (infectious)	2	2
13	73	Food Poisoning	7	
14	13	Whooping Cough	19	3
15	1	Tetanus	1	1

(Total Syphilis (N.B. 1960)

17		Male	Female
18	Primary	3	1
19	Secondary	0	1
20	Latent	0	5
21	Cardiovascular	1	0
22	Neurosyphilis	0	1
23	Prenatal (congenital)	0	3
24		—	—
25	Total	4	11

Age Distribution, Syphilis (N.B. 1960)

27	Age (years)	Reported Cases
28	Below 20	2
29	20-30	4



4	82	Hepatitis (infectious)
1	9	Meningitis (meningococcal)
2	91	Polio-myelitis (paralytic)
1	189	Sore Throat
20	443 416 33	Tuberculosis, all forms pulmonary non-pulmonary
	3	Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever
	338 314 12	Veneral Disease - all forms gonorrhoea syphilis
2	2	Encephalitis (infectious)
	7	Wood Poisoning
3	19	Whooping Cough

Female

Male

1	0	Secondary
2	0	Latent
0	1	Cardiovascular
3	0	Pre-natal (congenital)
11	1	Total

Age Distribution, Syphilis (N.B. 1960)

Below 20 2
20-30 4



1	30-40	5
2	40-50	0
3	50-60	1
4	60 plus	2
5	Unstated	1
6		—
7	Total	15

Age and Sex Distribution, Gonorrhoea (N.B. 1960)

9	Age (years)	Female	Male	Total
10	10-15	2	0	2
11	15-20	34	79	113
12	20-25	14	93	107
13	25-30	7	28	35
14	30-50	6	36	42
15	60 plus	0	0	0
16	Unstated age	6	12	18
17		—	—	—
18	Totals	69	248	317

Venereal Disease in New Brunswick (1944 - 1960)
Estimated Population 1960 - 604,000

20	Year	Rate per 100,000 population	
21		Syphilis all Types	Gonorrhoea
22	1944	124.0	197.6
23	1945	88.2	230.6
24	1946	69.6	172.9
25	1947	61.7	132.2
26	1948	70.6	95.4
27	1949	75.0	100.2
28	1950	50.8	79.1
29	1951	33.5	71.4
30	1952	24.1	25.5

30-40	5
40-50	0
50-60	1
60 plus	2
Total	15

Age and Sex Distribution, Gonorrhoea (N.B. 1960)

Age Group	Male	Female	Total
10-15	2	0	2
15-20	34	79	113
20-25	14	93	107
25-30	7	28	35
30-35	6	36	42
35-40	0	0	0
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Veneral Disease in New Brunswick (1944 - 1960)
Estimated Population 1960 - 604,000

Gonorrhoea all Types

Year	Rate per 100,000	Number of Cases
1945	88.2	230.6
1946	69.6	172.9
1947	61.7	152.2
1948	50.8	129.1
1949	33.5	85.4
1950	44.1	112.5



1	1953	9.9	30.8
2	1954	14.3	34.0
3	1955	8.4	47.7
4	1956	5.9	34.4
5	1957	7.1	33.8
6	1958	9.5	47.8
7	1959	8.5	47.5
8	1960	2.5	52.8

6. Environmental sanitation services in this province are provided by 3 fully qualified sanitary engineers, 19 full time sanitary inspectors and one public veterinarian. The 3 sanitary engineers are employed by the Department of Health, while the sanitary inspectors and the veterinarian are employed by the municipal boards of health. The Department of Health provides 50% of the salary and 50% of the travel for 16 Inspectors and the Public Health Veterinarian as assistance to the Boards of Health. The salaries of the 3 Sanitary Engineers are paid by the Department of Health. The annual expenditures on sanitary services by the Department is \$67,000.00, while the boards of health spend approximately \$50,000.00 from municipal public funds. The Department expenditure is claimed, approximately 85% from National Health Grants. This program of assistance to the Boards has made a system of full time sanitary inspectors possible and is a marked improvement over the former system of part-time inspectors. The sanitarians, new employed, have improved their status by training courses sponsored by the health departments of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

1953	9.9	30.8
1954	14.3	34.0
1955	8.4	47.7
1956	7.1	47.8
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1958	9.5	47.8
1959	8.5	47.5
1960	2.5	52.8

Environmental sanitation services in this province are provided by 3 fully qualified sanitary engineers, 19 full time sanitary inspectors and one public veterinarian. The 3 sanitary engineers are employed by the Department of Health, while the sanitary inspectors and the veterinarian are employed by the municipal boards of health. The Department of Health provides 50% of the salary and 50% of the travel for 16 inspectors and the Public Health Veterinarian as assistance to the Boards of Health. The salaries of the 3 Sanitary Engineers are paid by the Department of Health. The annual expenditures on sanitary services by the Department is \$67,000.00, while the boards of health spend approximately \$50,000.00 from municipal public funds. The Department expenditure is claimed, approximately 85% from National Health Grants. This program of assistance to the Boards has made a system of full time sanitary inspectors possible and is a marked improvement over the former system of part-time inspectors. The sanitarians, now employed, have improved their status by training courses sponsored by the health departments of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.



1 The program must show continued improvement otherwise it
2 tends to become routine and will accomplish little of
3 real worth. The day to day field supervision is by the
4 District Medical Health Officers of the various districts.
5 The Sanitary Engineers provide an advisory and consul-
6 tation service on all matters related to environmental
7 sanitation in the province.

8 7. In order to accomplish more with the sani-
9 tarians we now have, flexibility as to their work areas
10 would be desirable. The work allowance from county to
11 county is very much out of proportion. There is also a
12 considerable variation in salary and working conditions.
13 In order to alleviate the conditions as outlined, some-
14 thing should be done by the Department of Health to
15 strengthen the sanitation service. We should also con-
16 sider our investment in time and money expended. Since
17 it may be many years before we initiate a system of
18 health units in this province, sanitarians might be em-
19 ployed to form a section of the Sanitary Engineering
20 Division and be given Civil Service Status. They could
21 They could then be trained according to their abilities
22 and placed in the districts requiring their individual
23 knowledge. They should be placed under the day to day
24 supervision of the District Medical Health Officer. The
25 Sanitary Engineering Division would give general field
26 supervision. If the Department were to take over full
27 financial responsibility for environmental sanitation,
28 it would entail an estimated expenditure in 1963 of
29 \$147,000.00. At the present time the Department is pro-
30 viding assistance to the extent of \$67,000.00 which would

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2 net expenditure required would be \$77,000.00 from pro-
3 vincial funds.

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5 SECTION C

6 MENTAL HEALTH
7

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9 culture, is burdened with an enormous load of disabilities
10 associated with psychosis and other forms of mental
11 illness. This is becoming an increasingly serious health
12 problem and hitherto, health facilities for mental dis-
13 ease have concentrated on large institutions and scattered
14 diagnostic clinics. Thus far, our methods have not been
15 highly effective in preventing or curing mental illness.
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17 came to light only when they were extremely serious and
18 thus, of necessity, because of their seriousness, must
19 be admitted to large and sometimes isolated mental in-
20 stitutions. Recently it has been realized that attempts
21 must be made to find these mental and psychiatric dis-
22 abilities in the early stages and treat them before
23 they progress and become chronic. This requires some
24 change in the pattern of our facilities with a certain
25 emphasis placed on psychiatric units disseminated through-
26 out the province. It now seems appropriate to describe
27 the existing facilities and suggest in a general way,
28 recommendations designed to provide more effective and
29 improved service for the care, treatment and prevention
30 of all forms of mental illness.

SECTION 2

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1 EXISTING FACILITIES

2 1. Mental Hospitals: There are at present, two
3 mental hospitals, one located in the north of the pro-
4 vince and one located in the south of the province.
5 These have a combined rated bed capacity, by national
6 standards, of 1378 beds. There are 1922 beds set up and
7 occupied in these two hospitals. In the year of 1960,
8 these two hospitals provided 684,488 hospital days of
9 care to the mentally ill. This service was provided at
10 an operating cost of \$3,220,000.00.

11 2. Community Services: This service consists of
12 four psychiatric clinics located at four centres through-
13 out the province. Each clinic is serviced by a team
14 consisting of a psychiatrist, clinical psychologists,
15 psychiatric social workers and a clerical staff. These
16 clinics are financed from National Health Grants with
17 some additional financial assistance from provincial
18 funds. The clinics provided a diagnostic and treatment
19 service. A significant part of the work in each clinic
20 is with children in terms of behavior problems and mental
21 retardation. In many cases, the treatment teams in
22 these clinics are not especially trained in this area
23 of work. These four clinics were operated in 1960 at a
24 cost of \$138,000.00.

25 3. Psychiatric Wards in General Hospitals: There
26 are three psychiatric sections in active treatment general
27 hospitals of the province. Two of these sections with a
28 total of 35 beds, are in provincially operated hospitals
29 and one of 30 beds is in the Department of Veterans'
30 Affairs Hospital, owned and operated by the Government of

mental hospitals, one located in the north of the province and one located in the south of the province. These have a combined rated bed capacity, by national standards, of 1,775 beds. There are 1,225 beds set up and occupied in these two hospitals. In the year of 1960, these two hospitals provided 684,488 hospital days of care to the mentally ill. This service was provided at an operating cost of \$5,250,000.00.

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2 resident in the province. The professional service at
3 this hospital is provided by one full time psychiatrist
4 and a half-time psychiatrist, on a salary basis. The
5 para-medical personnel are also on full time salary in
6 this unit. The psychiatric service at the two units in
7 the provincially operated active treatment hospitals, is
8 provided on a fee for service and is the responsibility
9 of the patient concerned.

10 4. Present Expenditures: The total cost of mental
11 health services in 1960, excluding cost in active treat-
12 ment general hospitals, was \$3,358,000.00.

13 Analysis of this cost, indicates the following:

14 Ten per cent was provided from National Health Grants.

15 Four per cent was paid by municipalities on behalf
16 of patients.

17 Ten per cent was paid by patients on their own
18 responsibility.

19 Seventy-six per cent was paid by provincial govern-
20 ment funds from consolidated revenue.

21 In effect, then ninety per cent of this expenditure
22 was paid from public funds.

23 5. Deficiencies in Present Facilities: It is an
24 accepted fact that there are not enough beds to properly
25 accommodate the present in-patient population of our
26 mental hospitals. This is resulting in marked over-
27 crowding. For example, approximately 2000 in-patients are
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2 are commonly expressed in problems of social and personal
3 interaction and therapeutic efforts must utilize this
4 field by guidance, re-training and rehabilitation in
5 the broad sense. In terms of a total treatment program,
6 there is also a deficiency in staffing our mental hospitals
7 and clinics with professional personnel.

8 The active treatment general hospital psychi-
9 atric units referred to above, exist only in three
10 hospital centres in the south of the province. It is
11 therefore obvious that the treatment of certain types
12 of mental illness, in terms of community treatment
13 facilities, is inadequate and consequently facilities in
14 general hospitals should be definitely increased in areas
15 of the province where such facilities do not exist
16 at the present time.

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18 there are certain areas of the province with a relatively
19 heavy concentration of population which have no clinic
20 facilities within a reasonable distance.

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22 have been based on the quantitative aspects. In terms
23 of the qualitative aspects, it is evident that there is
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25 ficient care of certain categories of mental illness
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- (d) Alcoholics
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- (f) Mental senility of the aged

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- (c) Psychiatry is one of the least attractive specialties.

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9 has been rather extensive during the past twelve years
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11 have left the province for other areas of Canada and
12 United States, apparently for more attractive remuneration
13 and working conditions.

14 6. Recommendations for Future Mental Health
15 Services:

16 The above noted deficiencies point clearly to
17 some of the extensions and improvements required in the
18 field of mental health. It is true that in an area the
19 size of New Brunswick, with only two mental hospitals
20 available, that treatment for many patients is carried
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1 facilities in conjunction with out-patient clinics,
2 give an important and useful service in handling a
3 number of patients who would otherwise require admission
4 to mental hospitals.

5 There is a great need for Hospital Training
6 Schools for the mentally defective and retarded children
7 as well as out-patient services for such children. A
8 child guidance service for the mentally ill child as
9 well as the child with behavior problems, is both desirable
10 and necessary and a separate service for alcoholics and
11 drug addicts should be instituted.

12 There should be special services for the long
13 term care of the aged who are mentally ill by virtue
14 of senility and if possible, such care should be given
15 in a special section outside the active treatment mental
16 hospital. These facilities should, as far as possible,
17 simulate the home surroundings of the aged patient. This
18 might require some kind of special housing with daily
19 visiting by professional health personnel such as public
20 health nurses and social workers as well as periodic
21 visits by the patient's own doctor in conjunction with
22 psychiatric consultation.

23 7. Mental Hospital Bed Requirements:

24 1. As noted previously, the provision of
25 psychiatric beds in special sections of active treatment
26 general hospitals is now a trend in the treatment of
27 selected cases of mental illness. This trend is felt
28 to be desirable and advantageous to the patient concerned
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30 available in these small sections than that which is
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1 sections would provide treatment for the short or moderate
2 term case of mental illness.

3 If we use the factor of ten per cent of the
4 beds in general hospitals which have a capacity of 100
5 beds or over as allotted to the treatment of mental
6 illness, it would require that an additional 180 beds
7 be provided as psychiatric beds for the treatment of
8 mental illness in general hospitals. In view of the fact
9 that these beds would be provided as additions to exist-
10 ing general hospitals, the basic cost is estimated at
11 \$8000.00 per bed.

12 The total cost therefore of this basic
13 facility would be :

14 $180 \text{ beds} \times \$8000.00 = \$1,440,000.00.$

15 2. In view of the fact that there is definite
16 overcrowding in one of our mental hospitals, more beds
17 of this type are required. There are 1922 patients in this
18 type of hospital which has a rated capacity of 1378 beds
19 in the two hospitals. It is therefore estimated that a
20 future requirement would be space for 700 beds.

21 In the light of past experience in construction
22 costs at Provincial Hospital, Campbellton, this ad-
23 ditional bed space can be provided at an average cost
24 of \$6,000.00 per bed. This would result in a total con-
25 struction expenditure of $700 \times \$6000.00 = \$4,200,000.00.$

26 3. Hospital facilities for the mentally deficient
27 and mentally disabled children in the province are not
28 available at this time. Plans are being made for this
29 type of service in the future.

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1 this type should be provided in the south of the province
2 with a capacity of 240 beds with all related facilities
3 for this type of health care.

4 Estimated cost of construction would be
5 \$11,000.00 per bed with total cost $240 \times \$11,000.00 =$
6 \$2,640,000.00.

7 Following completion of these facilities,
8 an extension of like facilities to the north of the
9 province would be necessary. It is estimated, space for
10 160 beds would be required in the northern area. The
11 cost of providing such facilities would be as follows:
12 $160 \times \$11,000.00 = \$1,760,000.00$.

13 To complete these facilities in the fore-
14 seeable future, an additional institution of this type
15 might be required in the southeastern area of the pro-
16 vince at or near Moncton which is the centre of a fairly
17 dense population.

18 This would be estimated at space for 150 beds
19 constructed at the following cost:

20 $150 \times \$11,000.00 = \$1,650,000.00$.

21 It is to be noted that no estimates relative to
22 the annual cost of operation of these extended services
23 in mental health have been made at this time. The time
24 factor in preparing this submission is such that op-
25 erational estimates cannot be completed at this time but
26 such estimates will be made available at a later date.

27 8. Professional Staff in Mental Health Services:

28 (a) There are 28 physicians engaged in mental
29 health in New Brunswick of which 26 are on full time
30 salary basis, one on half-time salary and one in private

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1 practice on a fee for service basis. The individual on
2 half-time salary basis engages in private practice of
3 psychiatry on a fee for service basis the remaining half-
4 time.

5 It is estimated that the province would require
6 a total of 57 physicians working in this type of health
7 care service. Of the 28 presently in the province,
8 slightly less than 50% of these are fully qualified
9 psychiatrists.

10 (b) There are 15 qualified psychologists on a
11 full time salary basis providing this service in mental
12 health. It is estimated that to provide this service
13 adequately in the future, it would require a total of
14 20 such qualified personnel.

15 (c) Psychiatric Social Workers in mental
16 health at the present time; number 13. These are all
17 employed on a full time salary basis. To provide
18 adequate service in the future, it is estimated we would
19 require a total of 26 qualified psychiatric social workers.

20 (d) Registered and graduate nurses on the
21 staff of our mental hospitals is 25% below the accepted
22 standard for such institutions.

23 Nurses with post-graduate training in psychi-
24 atric nursing are well below the desired level in numbers
25 for such specially trained personnel.

26 9. Conclusion

27 The estimated increase required in bed
28 facilities set forth above, if completed by 1956, would
29 result in a total rated bed capacity in that year, of
30 2873 psychiatric beds. With an estimated population in

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The estimated increases required in bed facilities set forth above, if completed by 1956, would result in a total rated bed capacity in that year, of 2673 psychiatric beds. With an estimated population in



1 1956 of 650,000 for New Brunswick, this would provide a
2 psychiatric bed ratio of 4.4 per thousand of population.
3 It seems apparent that this would be a desirable ratio
4 for this province.

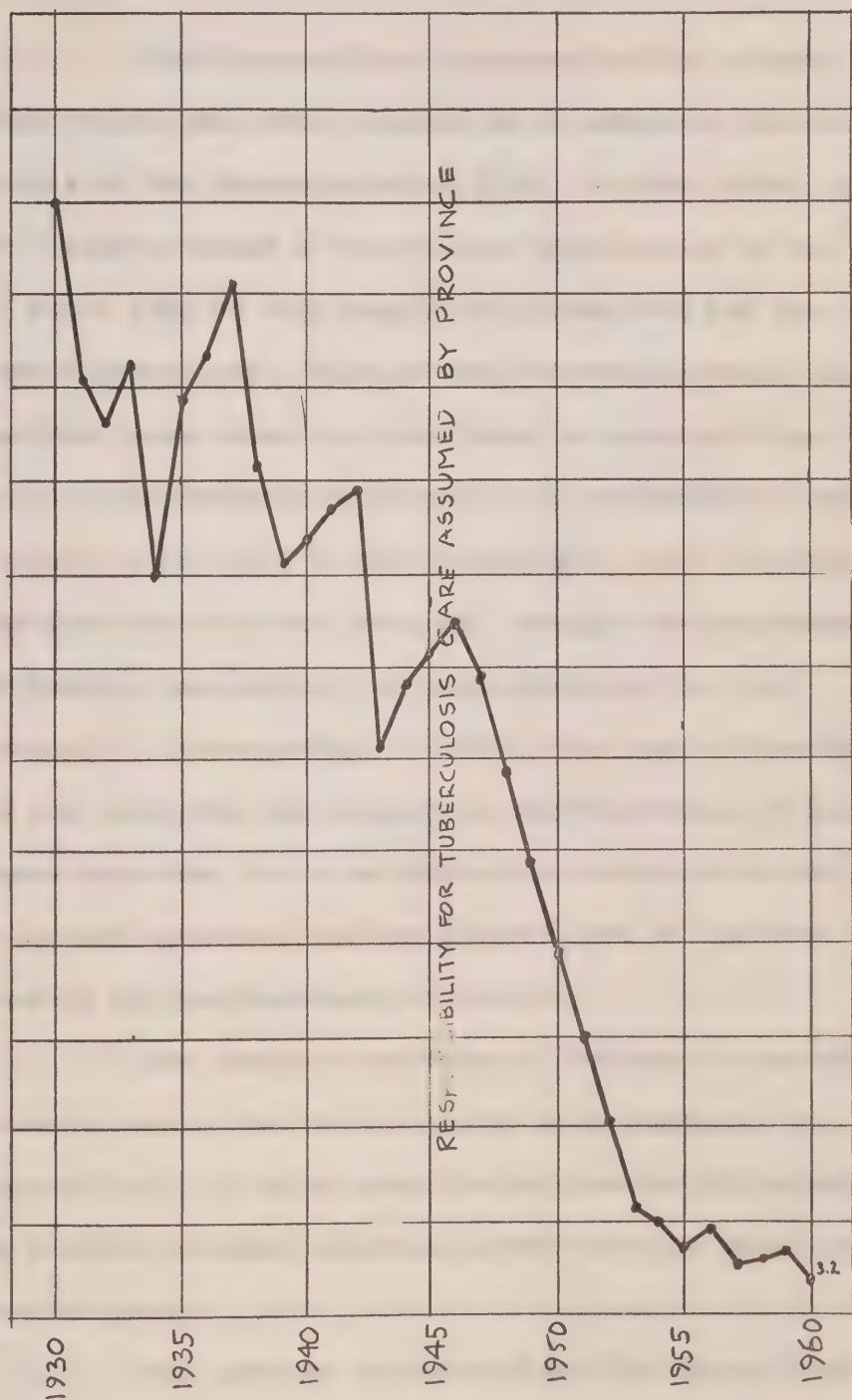
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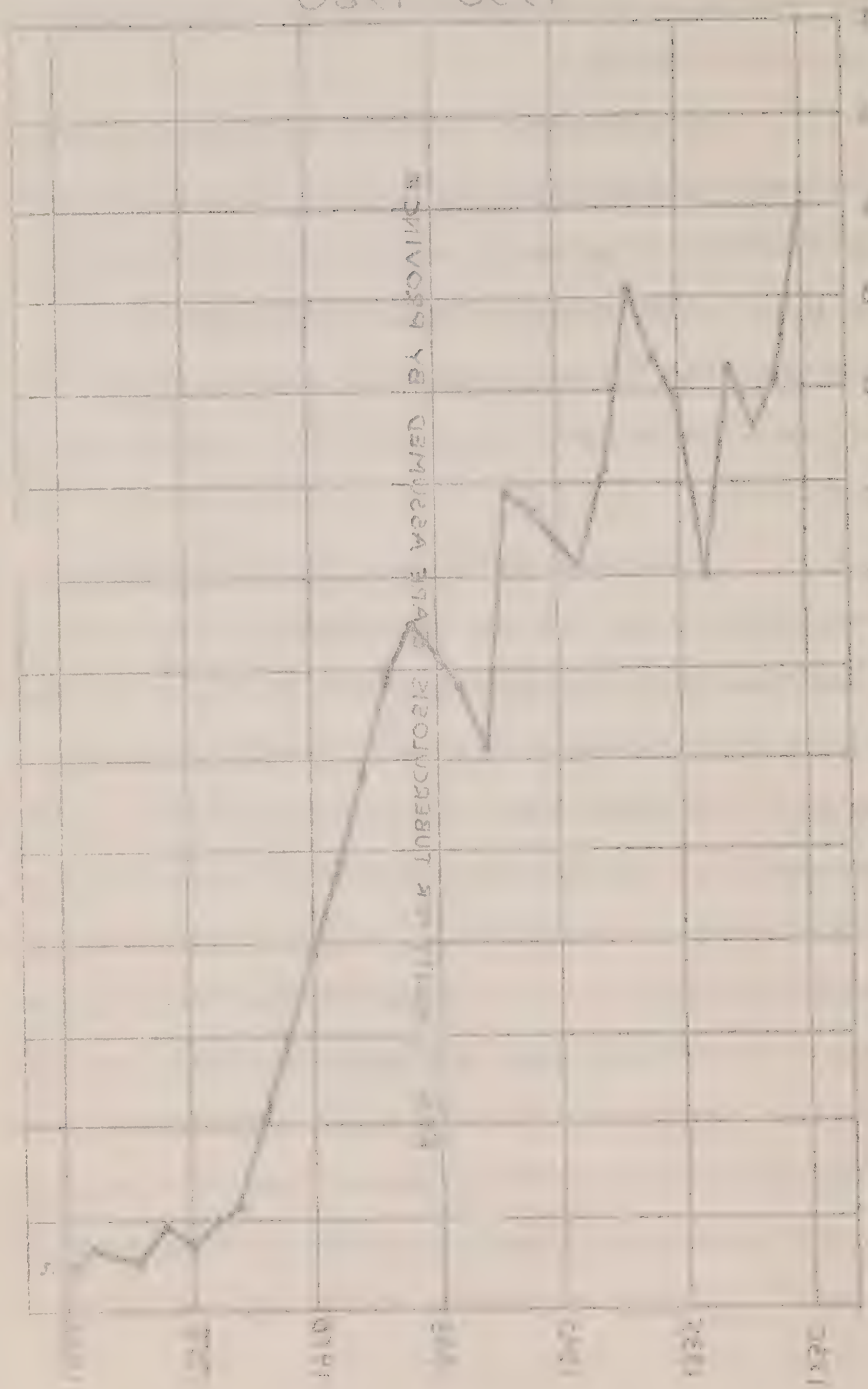


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4	1960	2,298,000.00
5	1961	2,380,000.00
6	1962 Estimated Budget	2,013,000.00

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13 services resulted in 459 new cases of tuberculosis enter-
14 ing the various sanatoria for treatment. This is an
15 increase over the previous year when 407 new cases were
16 admitted. Various factors entered into this increase.
17 The main one is that a greater effort is being made to
18 bring cases with primary or early infection under treat-
19 ment so as to prevent breakdown in the future.

20 Of the 459 new cases admitted to sanatoria,
21 there were 72 who were found to be infectious before
22 entering sanatoria. This does not mean that the remainder
23 were not infectious, but had not been completely tested
24 prior to admission. The group who were infectious would
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19 This part of the program found a number of new cases
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6 2. Mass Chest X-Ray Surveys

7 There was a slight decrease in the number of
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9 out the Province during the year 1960. The total number
10 examined was 53,840 in 1960 compared with 59,008 in 1959.
11 The main reason for the decrease was that the van was
12 directed to certain parts of the Province where the need
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14 Thirteen of the fifteen counties had some work
15 done by the van during the year. The bulk of the work
16 was done in the counties of Gloucester and York. Almost
17 two-thirds of the total number of people examined were
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21 In Gloucester County, several of the larger centres of
22 the county were done in a similar manner.

23 There were 85 persons examined by the survey
24 van who were found to have tuberculosis considered
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7 films. When some abnormality is noted, a search is made
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10 This method of evaluating the survey films prevents need-
11 less reporting and allows for a better report to be given.
12 It is also of interest to note that the film library is
13 constantly requested to provide comparison films for
14 hospitals, clinics and other case-finding services.

15 The Mobile X-ray Van operates as a joint effort
16 of the New Brunswick Tuberculosis Association and the
17 New Brunswick Department of Health. The Department pro-
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19 develop and report on the films. The Association provided
20 the van and has a survey organizer who arranges the survey
21 schedule. Interest continues to be high upon the part
22 of people in the communities for the work being done by
23 the van and the response remains quite constant.

24 The equipment operated during the whole year.
25 There were no major mechanical problems. The work which
26 is being done is in a large part due to the excellent
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SUMMARY OF X-RAY SURVEY REPORTS - 1960

COUNTY	Total No. Films Taken	Tuberculosis			Suspects	Non-Tbc. No. Diag. Etc.	Negatives
		TBC. Active	Doubtful	Inactive			
ALBERT COUNTY	1,426	5	-	6	2	9	1,404
CHARLOTTE COUNTY	1,871	-	-	4	-	22	1,845
GLoucester COUNTY	15,365	50	6	73	58	74	15,104
KENT COUNTY	891	1	1	5	7	10	867
KING COUNTY	114	-	-	1	-	-	113
NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY	3,287	6	1	16	9	15	3,250
QUEENS COUNTY	1,579	1	-	6	10	3	1,559
RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY	3,630	5	-	9	7	5	3,604
ST. JOHN COUNTY	2,847	1	-	8	1	9	1,823
SUNBURY COUNTY	95	-	-	2	2	-	91
VICTORIA COUNTY	303	1	-	3	2	4	293
WESTMORLAND COUNTY	5,007	-	1	18	4	16	4,970
YORK COUNTY	18,423	15	3	91	25	80	18,209
TOTALS:	53,840	85	12	242	127	237	53,137

(Includes 76 Spoiled Films)



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4 the work which is the most valuable to the case-finding
5 program. These clinics provide a diagnostic service to
6 patients referred by their own physicians and also examine
7 positive tuberculin reactors from surveys and chest X-ray
8 survey rechecks as well as former patients and contacts.

9 There were 16,933 people examined at the clinics
10 during the year. This is only slightly lower than the
11 previous year when 17,136 were examined. There were 284
12 cases of active tuberculosis diagnosed and 123 classed
13 as doubtful activity requiring further investigation.
14 Also there were 3,384 people with inactive disease who
15 obviously attended the clinics to be under observation.

16 During 1960, an improvement was made in the
17 reporting system of the clinics, to the Division of
18 Tuberculosis Control. A new form was drawn up and all
19 cases diagnosed at each clinic as Active or Inactive
20 Tuberculosis are reported by name so that a more complete
21 check is made. In this manner, it can be determined
22 through the Case Registry if these are new cases and then
23 they can be followed-up as to the need for treatment.
24 There is an improvement in reporting and records are kept
25 to correspond with the case registry. This new system
26 enables the Division to keep a check on the occasional
27 recalcitrant patient and take action if necessary.

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5 summer months in localities distant from the regular
6 operating clinics. These clinics are often held after
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8 The table which follows shows the result of
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CAMPBELLTON TB. CLINIC Board of Health Office Campbellton, N. B. Dr. E. Duguay	520	5	3	98	4	11
CARLETON CO. CLINIC Board of Health Office Woodstock, N. B. Dr. J. R. Allanach, D.M.H.O.	257	3	3	54	-	66
CHARLOTTE CO. CLINIC Charlotte Co. Hospital St. Stephen, N. B. Dr. C. H. Oake, D.M.H.O.	281	8	4	50	22	50
FREDERICTON TB. CLINIC Victoria Public Hospital Fredericton, N. B. Dr. J. R. Allanach, D.M.H.O.	870	18	4	219	-	238
GLOUCESTER CO. CLINIC Hotel Dieu, Tracadie, N. B. Dr. A. Duguay	806	53	7	209	20	31
MONCTON CYRO CLINIC 428 Collishaw Street Moncton, N. B. Dr. G. H. Blennerhassett	7,067	80	62	1,181	135	968
NORTHUMBERLAND CO. CLINIC Municipal Home Chatham, N. B. Dr. R. D. Landry, D.M.H.O.	752	7	8	110	15	14
NOTRE DAME DE LOURDES SANATORIUM CLINIC Notre Dame de Lourdes San. Vallee Lourdes, N. B. Dr. E. Duguay	1,668	63	22	407	67	92
RESTIGOUCHE CO. CLINIC Hotel Dieu Hospital Dalhousie, N. B. Dr. E. Duguay	252	1	2	68	-	12
SAINT JOHN TB. CLINIC 260 Germain Street Saint John, N. B. Medical Director	2,993	22	1	791	1,046	571
ST. JOSEPH SAN. CLINIC St. Joseph Sanatorium St. Basile, N. B. Dr. G. E. Gauvin	1,467	24	7	197	11	29
TOTALS	<u>16,333</u>	<u>234</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>3,384</u>	<u>1,320</u>	<u>2,082</u>



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Table No. 2

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1 One other phase of case-finding is the examin-
2 ation of chest X-ray films taken at several of the smaller
3 general hospitals. At the Division of Tuberculosis
4 Control, films are sent in from 5 small hospitals for
5 interpretation because there is suspicion of chest dis-
6 ease and tuberculosis is considered to be suspected.
7 During 1960, there were 527 films referred and reported
8 upon to the Hospital and the physician of the patient.
9 Most of these films are taken through an arrangement made
10 by the Tuberculosis Association and the general hospital
11 whereby the cost of the film is provided by the Association.
12 This service results in the finding of cases of tuber-
13 culosis as well as other diseases of the chest.

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15 Treatment

16 The treatment of tuberculosis is provided at the
17 four sanatoria operated by the Department of Health.
18 Also, of course, some patients with mental disease are
19 treated in the Department Mental Hospitals, chiefly at
20 Lancaster. The number of beds available are about 740,
21 but about 100 of these are not in use and not directly
22 covered by staff. There was at no time during the year
23 any appreciable waiting period for adult patients re-
24 quiring beds; at certain times, mainly in the winter
25 months, some children, not urgent cases, have had to wait
26 short periods for a bed.

27 The four institutions continued to provide
28 treatment upon the basis of the facilities available as
29 in previous years. Children are allocated to St. Joseph's
30 Sanatorium, St. Basile; Jordon Memorial Sanatorium and

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1 Saint John Tuberculosis Hospital. The chest surgery is
2 done at Saint John and cases considered suitable are
3 transferred during the year from the other institutions.
4 The cases of bone tuberculosis are referred to Jordon
5 Memorial Sanatorium and medical treatment is provided
6 there with any necessary surgical procedures being done
7 at a Moncton general hospital by the Orthopedic Consultant.

8 The treatment services of the Department of
9 Health continued to provide care for the Tuberculous
10 Veterans, acting for the Department of Veteran's Affairs.
11 Also under a mutual arrangement, the tuberculous patients
12 from the Province of Prince Edward Island who require
13 chest surgery are transferred to Saint John and their op-
14 erations performed there.

15 The province of New Brunswick participated in
16 Canada's acceptance of tuberculous refugees from Europe.
17 This group of people has been prevented from entering the
18 country of their choice because of the person or a member
19 of the family having been diagnosed as having tuberculosis.
20 Under arrangement with the Federal Government, the province
21 agreed to accept and provide treatment for a number of these
22 people. In December 1959, there were 15 who were admitted,
23 and 5 in July 1960, and another 5 in February 1961. All
24 of these patients came to Saint John Hospital, mainly be-
25 cause their families could be cared for by the Immigration
26 Department there. Fortunately, many of those coming had
27 received some treatment and only required a short period
28 of hospitalization. Some required more extensive treat-
29 ment but by the end of 1960, only two of the first group
30 were under treatment and their recovery enabling them to

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2 within a short time.

3 The table which follows provides some of the
4 general treatment statistics for the year 1960, compared
5 with previous year, 1959.

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7 TABLE NO. 3

8	Patients in sanatoria	<u>1960</u>	<u>1959</u>
9	as to December 31st.....	458	464
10	Number of patients		
11	discharged from sanatoria.....	1,143	1,295
12	Number of patients		
13	admitted to sanatoria.....	1,337	1,158
14	Number admitted		
15	found to be tuberculous.....	988	1,024
16	Number admitted		
17	for first time.....	459	407
18	<u>Re-admissions:-</u>		
19	Reactivations.....	123	108
20	Transfers, rechecks, etc.....	438	527
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22 The information in this table shows that
23 there was a marked increase in the number of patients
24 admitted for the first time, i.e. new admissions. This
25 increase of 11% is significant and has been discussed
26 already in this report. The number of patients admitted
27 to sanatoria was not down much but the total number who
28 were found to have tuberculosis was less.

29 Deaths from tuberculosis in 1960 numbered
30 20 and this gave a death rate of 3.2. This is a very

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for first time.....459	407
Re-admissions:-	
Reservations.....123	103
Transfers, checks, etc.....438	527

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1 marked drop from the previous year when there were 44
2 deaths and a rate of 7.4 per 100,000 population.

3 The Tuberculosis Case Registry for the pro-
4 vince is maintained at the Division of Tuberculosis
5 Control. Most of the statistics of this report are pro-
6 vided by this register. The important use of the list-
7 ings, are, of course, to follow-up cases and contacts
8 and co-relate these with the clinic activities. As of
9 December 31st, 1960, there were 7,625 persons listed as
10 having been diagnosed or observed for the disease tuber-
11 culosis. This is the total which have been listed in
12 the province since the registry was started in 1950. Of
13 the number of persons in the registry, 458 were in the
14 sanatoria, 395 were at home receiving drug treatment,
15 and the remainder were considered to be inactive and well.

16 The Department of Health continues to provide
17 B.C.G. vaccine to residents of the province on a se-
18 lected basis. There were 194 who received this inocu-
19 lation. Many of this group were young adults, mainly
20 student nurses, while the remainder were children from
21 homes where tuberculosis is known to be present.

22 The Rehabilitation Services provided to the
23 tuberculous patients continues to be a valuable phase of
24 treatment. At each of the sanatoria there is a staff
25 available to provide the patients with the help they re-
26 quire. Under the leadership of the Director of Rehabili-
27 tation and a Supervisor, whose services are provided by
28 the New Brunswick Tuberculosis Association, the program
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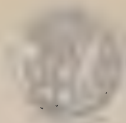


1 Rehabilitation

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3 As in previous years, for the purpose of
4 reporting rehabilitation statistics, children of pre-
5 school age and patients in hospital for less than thirty
6 days are excluded. During 1959, the total number of
7 patients in hospital was 1,267, while during 1960, this
8 figure dropped to 1,226, a decrease of only 3.2%. How-
9 ever, there was a very marked increase in the number of
10 admissions of children and adolescents; the 1959 figure
11 of 102 having jumped to 157 in 1960. With the young
12 people already in hospital at the close of the previous
13 year, this increase in admissions created a small problem
14 in providing classroom space. However, this was solved
15 and during the year there was a total of 185 children
16 attending school in their appropriate grades. In addition,
17 Kindergarten classes have been held for the five-year-
18 olds at Saint John Tuberculosis Hospital, Jordan Memorial
19 Sanatorium and St. Joseph's Sanatorium, with a total at-
20 tendance of 28.

21 Adult activities in hospital parallel very
22 closely those of the previous year, while 51 teenagers
23 were enrolled for correspondence courses with the New
24 Brunswick Department of Education Correspondence School,
25 and 4 other patients were taking courses from University
26 of British Columbia, three from DVA and two from Nova
27 Scotia Tech. The number of women in the four hospitals,
28 who followed the home-markers' course during the fall
29 and winter months totalled 228.

30 At Saint John Tuberculosis Hospital, two



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patients in hospital was 1,204, while during 1954, this
figure dropped to 1,226, a decrease of only 22. However,
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who followed the home-makers' course during the fall
and winter months totalled 224.
At St. John Tuberculosis Hospital, two



1 groups of European Refugees were under treatment during
2 the year; the first group numbering 15 and the second
3 group 5. With the exception of two or three, none of
4 these patients had any knowledge of English and a consider-
5 able amount of time was spent by the rehabilitation
6 staff in attempting to teach this, in some cases with
7 outstanding success. One particularly interesting case
8 is that of a third year medical student who, during his
9 year in hospital, learned English and for whom efforts
10 are now being made for him to continue his medical studies
11 here in Canada. In the meantime, the Saint John Tuber-
12 culosis Association has supplied him with medical text
13 books to study during his convalescence.

14 Post-discharge training again is an important
15 part of the whole rehabilitation program, and this year
16 there have been 68 patients enrolled in 18 different
17 courses. Of these trainees, one of the most praise-
18 worthy is a girl now at Teachers College. As a pre-
19 school age child, she was admitted to the Saint John
20 Tuberculosis Hospital, and as a patient had reached grade
21 3 when transferred to the Moncton Tuberculosis Hospital
22 for surgery of right hip. For the next six years, she
23 remained there on treatment, was an active member of the
24 4H Club, the Brownies and the Girl Guides successively,
25 and, except that she did lose one year while undergoing
26 further surgery, made excellent progress with her school
27 work.

28 Discharged as a grade 9 student, she was en-
29 couraged to enter high school and was visited regularly
30 at her home by Miss MacLellan. Last year she matriculate

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and was approved by the provincial Schedule R selection committee for training at Teachers College. Despite more than ten years in hospital and the residual disability of a fused hip and a built up shoe, this girl is now well equipped to lead a good, satisfying life and also to make a real contribution to society.

Statistical reports of both in-hospital and post-discharge training are attached.

IN-HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES - January 1st to December
31st, 1960

Total Number of Patients in hospital
during the year.....1,226

Patients engaged in Studies:-

Children attending school.....	185
Adults - Academic.....	274
Adults - Vocational.....	238
Adults - Commercial.....	55
Adults - Handicrafts.....	478
Adults - Woodworking and Drafting.....	27
Adults - Watch Repair.....	15
Adults - Radio and T.V.....	3
Adults - Art.....	9
Enrolled for Home Economics Course.....	228
Enrolled for Correspondence Course.....	51
Part-time employment.....	17

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IN-HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES - January 1st to December 31st, 1930

Year 1930

Total Number of Patients in Hospital

during the year

Patients engaged in activities

Children attending school

Adults - Handicapped

Adults - Mental and P.M.

Enrolled for Home Economics Courses

Part-time employment



1	POST DISCHARGE TRAINING - January 1st to December		
2	1st, 1960		
3			
4		<u>Courses</u> <u>Completed</u>	<u>Courses</u> <u>Current</u>
5	Auto Body & Fender Repair	-	3
6	Barbering	6	3
7	Beauty Culture	1	3
8	Cabinet Making	1	-
9	Carpentry	1	-
10	Clerical & Bookkeeping	7	7
11	Dressmaking	1	1
12	Electricity	1	-
13	Plumbing	-	2
14	Practical Nursing	2	1
15	Shoe Repair	-	1
16	Shop Instructor	-	1
17	Stenography	6	10
18	Teacher Training	-	2
19	University Training -Commerce	-	1
20	Watch Repair	-	1
21	Welding	-	1
22	X-Ray Technology	1	1
23			
24	Totals:	27	38

25 Summary

26 The work carried out against Tuberculosis in
27 the province is the result of the effort of many persons
28 and groups. The District Medical Health Officers with
29 their Nursing service give a considerable portion of their
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POST DISCHARGE TRAINING - January 1st to December 31st, 1960

Completed	Continued	
-	3	Auto Body & Bender Repair
6	3	Barbering
1	-	Cabinet Making
1	-	Dressmaking
1	-	Shoe Repair
-	1	Shop Instructor
6	10	Stenography
-	2	Teacher Training
-	-	University Training - Commerce
-	-	Welding
1	1	X-Ray Technology
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1 time to the tuberculosis work in their counties. The
2 voluntary organization, the New Brunswick Tuberculosis
3 Association through their staff and voluntary members
4 contribute much in the field of education and chest
5 survey work. Other government departments in the pro-
6 vince provide assistance and also the Government of
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21 made available to all residents of New Brunswick under a
22 Federal-Provincial sharing principle. The Federal contri-
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24 Diagnostic Services Act and the Regulations. This contri-
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1 25% of the provincial per capita cost based on the so-
2 called net shareable costs.

3 2. The Province provided its share of the costs
4 under the Hospital Care Insurance Act and the Regu-
5 lations. Financing the provincial share was by a regis-
6 tration and premium method. The premiums were \$50.40
7 annually for each family and \$25.20 annually for each
8 single person past the nineteenth birthday. Despite the
9 compulsory aspects of this Plan, approximately 85% of the
10 population was the highest figure reached in regis-
11 tration and payment of premiums was considerably below
12 this figure. Effective January 1, 1961, new provincial
13 legislation known as the Hospital Services Act came into
14 effect, revising the Plan. This revision resulted in
15 the administration which was previously under a Commission
16 being brought into the Department of Health as a Division
17 of Hospital Services with a Director responsible through
18 the Chief Medical Officer to the Minister of Health.
19 The premium method of financing was abolished and the
20 costs are now provided from consolidated revenue of the
21 Province. This then resulted in all residents of the
22 Province becoming entitled persons, with the exception
23 of those who are covered for these services by other
24 Acts of Federal or Provincial jurisdiction.

25 3. In the year previous to the operation of the
26 Hospital Service Plan, New Brunswick residents received
27 1288 hospital days per thousand of population at a
28 hospital operating cost of \$11,700,000.00, while in the
29 year of 1960, the New Brunswick residents, under the Plan,
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2 it is to be noted that the increase in volume of care
3 under the Plan was 36%, while the increase in operating
4 cost, under the Plan was 56% over the period of the two
5 years under review. In addition, the hospital facilities
6 provided out-patient insured services to the extent of
7 \$308,600.00 to residents of New Brunswick. The hospital
8 services now being provided and received by the people
9 of New Brunswick compares very favourably with the
10 national average and indeed exceeds that provided by
11 certain other provinces in Canada.

12 4. The active treatment general hospitals in
13 New Brunswick in 1949 contained a rated capacity of 1893
14 beds. In the same year, there were 2326 beds set up
15 and operating. In the year of 1958 (the twelve month
16 period previous to the Hospital Service Plan) there was
17 a rated capacity of 2790 beds. At the end of 1960, there
18 was a rated capacity of 3094 beds. On this same date,
19 there were 3275 beds set up and operating. There are
20 no convalescent hospitals operating as such in the
21 Province at the present time, but the need for such
22 facilities is now becoming evident. There are no chronic
23 hospitals operating with the exception of those provided
24 for the treatment of mental disease and tuberculosis.

25 5. The facilities for diagnostic services in-
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(i) laboratory procedures as specified from time to time by the Minister together with the necessary interpretations when referred to the provincial laboratory by an approved hospital on behalf of a physician;

(ii) when used in an approved hospital for diagnosis and treatment of an injury received as a result of an accident and for the necessary follow-up care of such injury:-

(A) operating room and anaesthetic facilities including the necessary equipment and supplies;

(B) routine surgical supplies;

(C) necessary nursing service;

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(F) recovery room when necessary; and
(G) services rendered by persons who
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(iii) any of the services enumerated in
(ii) above, provided in conjunction
with physiotherapy facilities where
available, when used for medical re-
habilitation; and

(iv) any of the services enumerated in
(ii) above, when provided for such
diagnostic and treatment procedures
as are authorized by the Minister
from time to time.

6. Future Bed Requirements

The construction of new hospitals and the
expansion of existing active treatment hospitals is
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of \$4,000 per bed, this being \$2,000 from each source.
For the year of 1961, the total grant from both sources
will amount to \$1,190,000.00. When these grants were
established in 1948, the active treatment hospitals were
rated at 1893 beds. During the first 10 years of the
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pended from both sources was \$7,550,000.00 towards the
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approximately \$6,000,000.00. Therefore, over a period of 15 years, the total amount of assistance to hospital construction will be approximately \$13,000,000.00, half of which is provided by each government. When the present building program is completed, the distribution of active treatment beds and facilities will be more nearly adequate. It is believed that the additional beds proposed or under construction, will nearly meet active treatment hospital requirements. However, a number of present small hospitals are obsolete or inadequate. In some cases, small hospitals are operating in converted homes and these offer an extreme fire hazard. Replacement of these buildings is being considered for the immediate future.

7. As noted previously, bed capacity in active treatment general hospitals of New Brunswick on December 31, 1960, was 3094 beds. New construction now in progress or approved for construction will provide 263 beds. Estimated cost will be $260 \times \$14,000 = \$2,240,000.00$. Extensions to existing hospitals and replacement of obsolete structures with larger modern structures will provide 212 beds at an estimated cost of $212 \times \$11,000 = \$2,332,000.00$. Conversion of two existing units from tuberculosis hospital service to general hospital service is now being carried out. This will provide 190 active treatment general hospital beds. The cost of conversion is estimated at \$300.00 per bed. Estimated $190 \times \$300.00 = \$57,000.00$. It is anticipated that the foregoing construction plan will have been completed by December 31, 1965. This would provide a total rated bed capacity



1 of 3759 beds by the end of 1965. Estimating the popu-
2 lation of New Brunswick in 1965 to be 660,000, this would
3 provide an active treatment general hospital bed ratio
4 of approximately 5.7 beds per thousand of population.
5 With hospitals operating at a 90% occupancy rate, this
6 would provide 1870 hospital days per thousand of popu-
7 lation and this is considered entirely an adequate volume
8 for this type of hospital service.

9 8. There is now an apparent need for a type of
10 hospital facility to provide hospital services for the
11 convalescent and chronic type of patients. It is felt
12 this type of institution can be constructed and operated
13 at a lower cost than the intensely active type of in-
14 stitution known as the active treatment general hospital.
15 It is estimated that to provide this level of hospital
16 services in New Brunswick, it would require 990 beds of
17 this type by 1965. This estimate is based on 1.5 beds
18 per thousand of population by 1965. Operating at 90%
19 occupancy, this number of beds would provide approxi-
20 mately 500 hospital days of this type of care per thous-
21 and of population. To construct these facilities, it is
22 estimated the average cost per bed will be \$6000.00.
23 Total cost then would be $990 \times \$6000.00 = \$5,940,000.00$.

24 9. The provisions of Homes for the Aged and
25 Nursing Homes are not considered a health function in
26 this province, but have been placed as a responsibility
27 of the Department of Welfare. The Auxiliary Homes Act
28 passed at the last session of legislature, provides for
29 the establishment of such homes for persons who, through
30 the ravages of age or disease, require custodial and

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1 personal care but this care is not such as to require
2 active treatment hospital services. Under this new Act,
3 the Province may provide assistance for construction of
4 such homes at the rate of \$2,000.00 per bed or 50% of
5 the capital costs including equipment, whichever is
6 lesser. At the present time, there are 999 beds in homes
7 for the aged and 317 beds in nursing homes. Both types
8 of homes are approved under regulations by the Department
9 of Welfare. Future needs for this type of facility is
10 estimated at 2.5 beds per thousand for the aged or an
11 additional 650 beds by 1965 at an estimated cost of \$4,
12 000.00 per bed. Estimated $650 \times \$4,000.00 = \$2,600,000.$
13 00. Bed requirements in nursing homes are estimated at
14 one bed per thousand population or an additional 343 beds
15 by 1965. The estimated cost of construction and equip-
16 ment here again is \$4,000.00 per bed or a total of 343
17 $\times \$4,000.00 = \$1,374,000.00$. The cost of operation of
18 such facilities receives substantial assistance on a per
19 patient per diem basis through the Department of Welfare
20 by virtue of the Social Assistance Act. It is here re-
21 iterated that capital and operating costs in these types
22 of institutions are not considered a health function in
23 this Province but have been fixed as a responsibility of
24 the Department of Welfare from where substantial assistance
25 is provided.

26 10. The provision of estimates as to annual op-
27 erating costs of the additional facilities recommended
28 in the active convalescent and chronic field of hospital
29 facilities have not been made because of the time factor
30 involved in preparing this submission. Such estimates



1 will be made available at a later date. Annual operating
2 costs per bed, related to present facilities may be of
3 interest at this time. In 1960, average operating costs
4 per bed were as follows:

5 Average operating cost per rated bed was

6 \$5,946.00

7 Average operating cost per bed set up was

8 \$5,594.00

9 In reference to distribution of active treat-
10 ment general hospital facilities in New Brunswick on
11 January 1, 1960, please refer to the enclosed graph map
12 of the Province.



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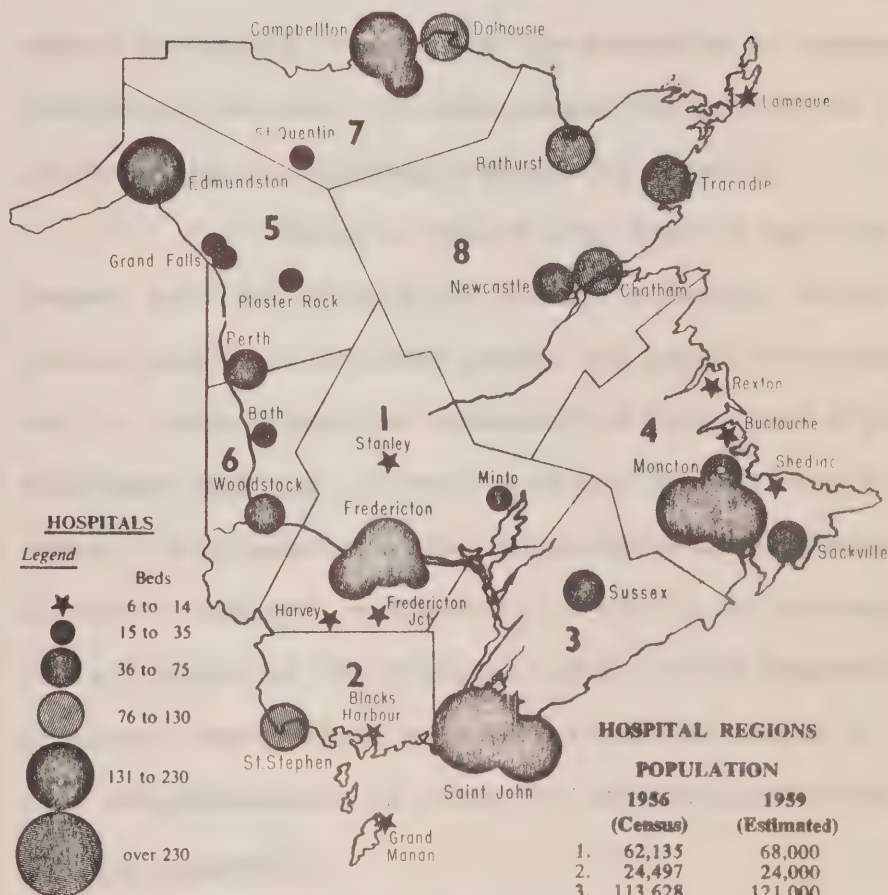
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NEW BRUNSWICK ACTIVE TREATMENT HOSPITALS



HOSPITALS

Legend

Beds

- ★ 6 to 14
- 15 to 35
- 36 to 75
- 76 to 130
- 131 to 230
- over 230

HOSPITAL REGIONS

POPULATION

	1936	1959
(Census)	(Estimated)	
1.	62,135	68,000
2.	24,497	24,000
3.	113,628	121,000
4.	120,123	127,000
5.	56,008	59,000
6.	27,319	28,000
7.	39,720	43,000
8.	110,677	120,000
	554,107	590,000

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1 and irreversible damage. Any future complete health care
2 (or Social Welfare) plan, may well find the increased
3 number of these children a heavy burden.

4 Specific Suggestions:

5 If a plan is developed which includes an ex-
6 tended or complete health care plan for selected groups,
7 then it is suggested this plan should include:--

8 (1) Prenatal, natal, postnatal care of

9 (a) Preferably all mothers.

10 or

11 (b) If this is not possible then selected groups
12 as recommended later in this report.

13 (2) Neonatal Period

14 Medical and surgical care in the neonatal period
15 to:-

16 (a) All babies and this is more than a suggestion
17 it is a recommendation.

18 (b) If this is not possible to certain selected
19 groups.

20 (3) Birth to 16 years

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22 to introduct a limited care plan that thought be given
23 to introducing one offering complete medical and surgical
24 care to all children and young persons from birth to age
25 16 years.

26 (4) Present Rehabilitation Services

27 If (3) above proves impracticable then the
28 present Rehabilitation Service offered through the
29 Division of Maternal and Child Health, should be extended
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For this reason this brief report includes estimated figures, comments on present hospital facilities and future needs.

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3 DRUGS

4 Provision of Drugs in Hospitals and on prescription 5 through Clinics and private doctors

6 It would seem that if a medical care plan
7 includes drugs certain principles should be considered.

8 1. Payment of token amount per prescription

9 It would seem necessary to require a token
10 amount of payment towards each prescription. This should
11 be at a flat rate, easy to be collected and except only
12 specified, easily identified population groups. Never-
13 theless, it should not include

- 14 1. Those on Mothers' Allowance
- 15 2. Unmarried mothers
- 16 3. Possibly also those unemployed

17 2. Drugs to be prescribed

18 There should be a limit to the drugs that
19 could be prescribed. As far as possible basic drugs
20 should be prescribed. A formulary should be issued to
21 the medical profession indicating which drugs might be
22 prescribed and which might be available under special
23 circumstances on application to special committees. Such
24 a system would require Provincial committees composed of
25 administrators, practising physicians and pharmacists.

26 3. Drugs purchased for hospitals

27 It is suggested that drugs for hospital use
28 be bought in quantity by a central Provincial purchasing
29 agency. That the cheapest of comparable products be
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0-4	95,300
5-9	90,400
10-14	86,900
15-19	<u>71,100</u>

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15 (c) a large number of voluntary service agencies

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18 sometimes, government grants.

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21 education in water safety, disaster relief, and direct aid

22 to persons in need. The blood bank program is one of the

23 essential services for the health of the province. It

24 functions most efficiently and is making a very valuable

25 contribution to Maternal and Child Health. The Junior

26 Red Cross has important functions in connection with child

27 health; such as the distribution of Vitamin "A and D" sup-

28 plements to school children and assistance to families needing

29 help with transport and maintenance when a child visits



specialists or is admitted to hospital in places far from home.

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10 The following is a list of some of them with branches in
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19 Canadian Paraplegic Association

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21 Canadian Tuberculosis Association

22 Canadian Mental Health Association

23 Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada

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(No branch but activities sponsored by special groups)

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3. Prenatal Clinics

If a complete program of care is not established it is recommended that Prenatal Clinics be established.

(a) Urban Areas

In urban areas prenatal clinics should be established so that pregnant women who feel unable to afford the fees of private physicians may receive prenatal care.

These clinics should be staffed by members of the local medical group, preferably by obstetricians, paid by the Department of Health, or provided as part of a medical care plan.

(b) Rural Areas

That a physician periodically visit rural areas to hold clinics. The physician might be a member of the local medical profession or a member of staff of the Department of Health doing a number of rural clinics and with an office appropriately situated considering the areas to which the service would be offered.

4. Records

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5. Laboratory Services

Such laboratory services as are necessary for
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1. Widows.....1022
2. Have husbands but receive allowance because:
 - (a) Husband disabled.....223
 - (b) " in sanatorium.....216
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NATAL AND POST NATAL CARE

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The numbers involved are small so that the

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similar to that of the national average.

However, about maternal morbidity we have relatively
no information.

It is recommended that a survey be carried out
in Canada and from our point of view particularly in New
Brunswick designed to give information in this field.

(1) Hospital Deliveries

97.6% of New Brunswick babies in 1960 were

delivered in hospitals.

Home and other deliveries

Approximately 2.4% of deliveries were delivered

at home or on the way to hospital in 1960.

(11) Physician Attendance

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2 certainly were born before arrival of a
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6 C. Hospital beds relative to present and future usage

7 It should be noted that while there has been
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Type of Beds Beds set up and rated as of December 31
1958 1959 1960

Maternity

Rated beds	447	479	500
Beds set up	443	452	459

Pediatrics

Rated beds	389	466	475
Beds set up	462	510	519

Bassinets

Rated Beds	520	613	613
Beds set up	578	607	626

Beds not distributed as to type

Rated	155	76	75
Set up	189	89	90

Total: All beds

rated	2473	2845	2858
set up	2699	2912	2992

* Excluding Polio Clinic, Forest Hill and Moncton Annex.

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Numbers at present requiring supervision

There were 139,950 children in grades 1 to 13 in publicly controlled and private schools in June, 1960. These children were in 58,006 classrooms with 5,806 teachers in 1,410 buildings.

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or

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teachers in 1,410 buildings.

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Health supervision as at present mainly carried

Nurse. This system places the responsibility for the

detection of health defects on the teacher. To be ef-

ective such a system requires that teachers be well



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2. This should be repeated according to the availability of Public Health Nurses but should be done in grades 6 and 9.

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14			2026

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17 B. Hearing Aids

18 Present System

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5 Future

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7 Orthopedic Workshops

8 See introduction.

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19 The plan of organization of this Division
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21 dietitians.

22 2. Hospital Services

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3 gram be undertaken. The present system of bursaries
4 following graduation is not bringing sufficient staff to
5 the field. It is strongly urged that bursaries be given
6 for the last two years of the Bachelor Degree in Home
7 Economics.

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9 SECTION G

10 MEDICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

11 1. Rehabilitation services in New Brunswick are
12 provided, in the main, at two hospitals with a moderate
13 volume provided in other active treatment hospitals, in-
14 cluding the Department of Veterans' Affairs Hospital at
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18 adults with disabilities due to poliomyelitis. The
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23 therapy relative to rehabilitation, as well as extensive
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STATISTICS FOR YEAR 1960

New cases referred.....	371
Cases on file.....	2352
Assessment Services (Medical Vocational, Social).....	1778
Medical Treatment (Number of Persons treated).....	254
Trained.....	183

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Social.....	1,143
Cases on file.....	2,382



1	Counselling Services.....	1520
2	Rehabilitated to Employment.....	277

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4 ment had a total of 259 dependents and were costing the
5 province, the municipality, or their relatives, a total
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15 yet received rehabilitation services. In addition, it
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5 (d) Train at least 8 physiotherapists annually for
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12 hospital centres is estimated at \$10,000.00 each
13 for equipment, or a total of \$80,000.00.

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15 it possible to provide assessment service to dis-
16 abled residents of the province without requir-
17 ing them to travel long distances to see a
18 specialist for diagnostic purposes. Estimated
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8 CANCER CONTROL SERVICES

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20 consultant fees paid for under this program during the
21 period that they are patients in active treatment
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Moncton Hospital	1874	10819	252
Victoria Public	7762	9025	257
St. Joseph's Hospital	1933	1476	67
TOTALS	21052	32481	963

	Out-Patient Therapy Units	No. of Treatments
Saint John General	62392	2877
Moncton Hospital	25289	1092
Victoria Hospital	8910	418
St. Joseph's Hospital	4012	264
TOTALS	100603	4651

The estimated cost of providing this service from public funds for the year of 1961 is \$250,000.00. Fifty percent of this expenditure is claimed from National Health Grants and the remaining fifty percent is provided from provincial funds. The program has been highly satisfactory, both to the providers of the service (the medical profession) and to the receivers of the service, the people of New Brunswick.

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84	2-1276	1933	St. Joseph's Hospital
			TOTAL

No. of Treatments	Out-Patient Therapy Units	
1082	22289	Moncton Hospital
418	8910	Victoria Hospital
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Fourth year of plan	\$2,660,000.00
Fifth year of plan	\$2,920,000.00

The estimated increase under a comprehensive plan excluding 50% of the cost of artificial dentures, as a deterrent, would increase 20% during the first year and an average of 10% for the succeeding four years. After five years of operation, it is reasonable to assume that the costs will have leveled off to an annual cost of \$3,000,000.00.

Additional costs of extended services are estimated as follows:

Operation of 25 proposed school dental clinics staffed by a dentist and dental assistant at \$15,000.00 each, \$375,000.00.

Operation of 15 public clinics throughout the province at an estimated \$15,000.00 each annually or a total of \$225,000.00.

This would result in an estimated cost annually after five years of operation, at approximately \$3,600,000.00 or an estimated per capita cost of \$5.45 on an estimated population of 660,000 in the year of 1965.

The balance of costs, not included in dental income, for school clinics in Moncton and Saint John, mental and tuberculosis hospitals etc., is estimated at \$65,000.00. Illegal practice is estimated at 5% of gross

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The following are not included -

1. Department of Veterans' Affairs in hospital dental costs.
2. Armed forces dental costs.
3. Dentistry provided for Indians by salaried dentists.
4. Dental costs in Federal prisons.

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2. Armed forces dental costs.

3. Dentistry provided for Indians by relatives

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19 obvious but the demand for such treatment is depressed
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23 cost and availability of services were eliminated, demand
24 would at once equal need. Both experience and common
25 sense indicate that this is not so. Among indigents in
26 certain areas, where dental services are readily available
27 without charge, the rate of utilization is always far
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6 viously the backlog of unmet needs is greater in New
7 Brunswick than in most other provinces, compounding our
8 problems. It is believed that this province could sup-
9 port perhaps 6 additional dentists in private practice
10 at the present time. Any further expansion would depend
11 on an improvement in the economic situation or financial
12 aid.

13 Dental Technicians

14 These were first established by dentists to
15 process appliances to their order. As economics gradu-
16 ally brought changes, it was found to be advisable and
17 better business for technicians to work for groups of
18 dentists and direct communication with one or more in-
19 dividual dentists became less common. Eventually dental
20 technicians established self contained businesses. They
21 have improved their services and the public have bene-
22 fited. They are a useful and necessary part of the den-
23 tal team. Few, if any, courses of training are avail-
24 able. Standards of qualifications are lacking. They
25 are dependent entirely on the dental profession for
26 income. Falling economics and lack of standards has
27 caused havoc at times and they are subject to all the
28 perils of other small businesses. There are presently
29 30 dental technicians in this province. We appear to



1 have sufficient dental technicians but they are con-
2 cerned with the threat to the trade of increasing age
3 and lack of recruits.

4 Dental Assistants

5 About 75% of the dental profession employ
6 dental assistants often loosely termed dental nurses.
7 They are apprenticed trained and are not an organized
8 group. They perform a useful function and divide their
9 time between chair side assisting, bookkeeping, re-
10 ception of patients, etc.

11 Dental Hygienists

12 This province formerly employed two dental
13 hygienists. Two more are in training. This training
14 consists of a two year university diploma course. They
15 are employed mainly in dental health education in schools
16 through routine dental inspections and prophylaxis.

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19 part of health. In order that the "best health care" is
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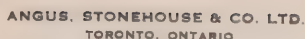
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Necessary preliminaries to the introduction of a comprehensive public financed dental care plan

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We are therefore brought to the conclusion

that the best dental care for the citizens of New Brunswick can only be obtained by the establishment of a comprehensive service which may never be wholly self-

it and which will be paid for by the community as a whole.

Health care should be divorced from the question of personal means and if there are shortages of dentists the shortages should be shared by all.

We return to the question - how can we "provide" that the best possible health care be available to all citizens of New Brunswick? When the standard of dentistry in this province, we can come to no other conclusion than that stated above.

A comprehensive dental care program, which is planned independently. It is doubted that the province would accept a separate plan for dentistry or for any other division of health care.

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The introduction of a comprehensive dental care plan as part of a complete health care plan and at the same time as a medical care plan would have the best chance of success and is therefore recommended.

It is recommended that the introduction of a comprehensive dental care plan be considered as a part of a complete health care plan.

1 Great Britain has had a comprehensive dental
2 care plan for over ten years. Direct comparison with
3 the situation there would not be valid. On the other
4 hand, much useful information is available.

5 Before the commencement of the health scheme
6 in Great Britain, about 10% of the profession were al-
7 ready employed full time in a school dental service.
8 Priorities were established for expectant and nursing
9 mothers and adolescent children.

10 On the commencement of the British Health Plan,
11 demand exceeded supply by a much wider margin than
12 anticipated.

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14 for the general dental service. The opposite of what was
15 planned occurred. There was an over-whelming volume of
16 dentures. In 1950, one-third of patients treated were
17 supplied with dentures (about 3 million out of 9½ million
18 at a cost of over 60% of total cost of the dental service
19 at that time. Few hospitals could offer consultant
20 dental service of treatment. The British commenced on
21 the understanding that there was inadequate dental man-
22 power to provide a comprehensive dental service but the
23 shortage was much greater than expected.

24 Using British experience as a useful aid but
25 not as a guide, it would seem advisable to have no prior-
26 ities when the plan is inaugurated.

27 Three areas should be provided for before the
28 commencement of a comprehensive plan and they are -
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School Dental Service

The building up of a group of salaried dentists to provide dental care exclusively for school children would appear to be the most practical method to build in a priority for the dental care of children. Using regional schools as basic units, we would eventually require at least 60 dentists for such service. Pre-school children would also be eligible to take advantage of this service. The equivalent of at least 25 dentists should be available at the commencement of the plan.

Hospital Dental Service

Dentists trained in oral surgery, particularly in the treatment of fractures of the jaw, should be recruited and arrangements made for them to be full time staff members in the large general hospitals providing dental service as required and consultation to small satellite hospitals. It is estimated that 6 such dentists would be required. The equivalent of 2 dentists so trained should be available at the commencement of the plan.

The denture problem

In an area of low economics, dental treatment is neglected, extractions and dentures are common and tend to become so accepted as commonplace, that dentistry meant to a large proportion, merely extraction of



1 teeth and replacement.

2 In the event of the inauguration of any com-
3 prehensive dental scheme without financial barriers, the
4 floodgates will open a terrific demand for dentures in
5 any area.

6 From our experience, the private dental practice
7 and the veterans' dental administration in New Brunswick,
8 indicates that the demand for dentures in this province
9 will be even higher than most other areas. Consequently,
10 it appears obvious, at least to us, that we cannot com-
11 pletely remove the economic barrier in so far as dentures
12 are concerned. The experience in Great Britain, for
13 instance, was such that, after less than two years of a
14 free plan, charges for dentures had to be introduced and
15 after thirteen years of the plan, now amount to about
16 50% of the total fee.

17 Whether a decision is made to exclude the
18 cost of dentures from any scheme or to include them to
19 some degree, a study of the economic factors involved
20 in the provision of dentures is considered necessary.

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22 sion and the organized technicians, to consider this
23 problem, in an effort to reduce the cost of standard
24 dentures, before any decision is arrived at, regarding
25 their inclusion or otherwise in any plan.

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1 estimated. The inherent problem is of two kinds -
2 (1) to anticipate the probable demand for treatment and
3 (2) to estimate the likely incidence of the various
4 forms of treatment.

5 Under the existing social system, demand is
6 related directly to economic means. It has been esti-
7 mated that 6 more dentists could make a satisfactory
8 living in this province.

9 Under the proposed system where the economic
10 barrier is removed, the best estimate of demand is that
11 a minimum of about 25 additional dentists are required
12 to begin a comprehensive service and that the need will
13 rise eventually to a total of about 90 additional den-
14 tists or a total registration of about 200 dentists.

15 Methods for more rapidly increasing dental manpower

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17 out during two world wars.
- 18 2. Reduction of the length of the course
19 by other methods.
- 20 3. The use of dental auxiliaries.
- 21 4. Change in licensing acts.

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24 If we cannot produce enough dentists or the time
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12 profession is not fully realized. If steps to provide
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15 less attractive alternatives must be implemented.

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17 salaries of dentists in different provinces. In the
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20 can offer higher salaries than others or until there is
21 some national standardization in salary levels.

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25 Dental Recruitment

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3 dentists for the general public? The Budget of the
4 Department of National Health and Welfare should pro-
5 vide a similar plan for dentists for general dental
6 services. However, to avoid difficulties, would it not
7 be advisable to make similar benefits available for
8 women only?

9 Dentistry as a Career for Women

10 Some girls and parents have rejected dentistry
11 as a career on the ground that they were sure they
12 lacked the physical strength which they believed to be
13 necessary. This impression is entirely erroneous.

14 On the contrary, women have certain qualities
15 which appear to make them eminently suitable members
16 of the dental profession. They have a natural aptitude
17 for any healing art and most of them have a gift for the
18 handling of children which is particularly useful in
19 the dental profession. There is one other relevant
20 factor that should be mentioned. Opportunities for
21 part-time work are numerous in dentistry so that it is
22 easier for married women whose whole time is not being
23 required for their domestic duties, to engage in the
24 part-time practice of their profession and thus make
25 a substantial contribution to the needs of the country.
26 It is for these reasons that women are playing so valu-
27 able a part in the school and general dental service of
28 other countries as shown in the attached Table IV.

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5 not only of the need to enlist women in the ranks of
6 the profession but of the positive advantages which for
7 them, dentistry has over many other professions.

8 Financial aid to students

9 At present there is a sharp national upturn
10 by many agencies and levels of government in providing
11 financial assistance to worthy university students.
12 This is a highly commendable action and no doubt will
13 increase.

14 Insofar as the spending of public funds is
15 concerned, not enough attention is given to the relative
16 public need for men and women of various professions.
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18 pated demand for personnel in specific fields and the
19 expenditure of public funds for student aid.

20 When the situation is reviewed in this light,
21 a very high priority indeed would be attached to dental
22 training.

23 Student Assistance

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25 assistance of federal health grants, subsidize dental
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generally accepted thought that hospital care has been insured and assured on a national basis. This is not true from the standpoint of dental health.

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1 It should be based on the principle that dental service is equally available to all and not compulsorily imposed upon any.

2. The dentist must be free to engage whole or part-time in either public service or private practice.

3. The patient must have free choice of a dentist and the liberty to alter his choice if he so desires.

4. The patient must have the free right to seek dental care by private arrangement and private fee if he so desires.

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1. Recruiting graduate dentists at higher salaries would eliminate training and subsidization costs.

2. Dental clinics on school grounds could be combined with other health services if required at a reduction in total capital expenditure.

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Dentists Practicing in Canada 1960

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		Total Re-	Ratio to
		lated to	Population
<u>Province</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>1938</u>	
Nfld.	43	+24	1/10,441
N.B.	114	+ 4	1/5, 175
Sask.	192	-18	1/4, 698
N.S.	193	+24	1/3, 710
P.Q.	1384	+510	1/3, 612
Man.	277	+26	1/3, 195
Alta.	412	+176	1/3, 017
P.E.I.	35	+5	1/2, 914
B.C.	653	+291	1/2, 404
Ont.	2477	+545	1/2, 403
CANADA	5780	+1587	1/3, 018

* These figures show the increase or decrease
in number of dentists today compared with 1938.

** Based on estimated population figures as of June
1, 1959, provided by Dominion Bureau of Statistics.



II

Population per dentist compared with Income per person
by Provinces - 1960

Income per person in ascending order of magnitude	Population per dentist in descending order of magnitude
Newfoundland \$856.00	Newfoundland 1: 10,441
Prince Edward Island	New Brunswick
New Brunswick	Saskatchewan
Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
Quebec	Quebec
Saskatchewan	Manitoba
Manitoba	Alberta
Alberta	Prince Edward Island
British Columbia	British Columbia
Ontario \$1820.00	Ontario 1: 2,403

Note

1. There is a striking correlation between these two tables.
2. Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan fall outside the pattern. In the case of Prince Edward Island, possibly the numbers are too small to be valid. We can offer no explanation regarding Saskatchewan.

by Provinces - 1950

Income per person

in ascending

order of magnitude

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New Brunswick			
Nova Scotia			
Manitoba			
Alberta			
British Columbia			
Ontario	\$1820.00	Ontario	11.10.44

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National Accounts - D.B.S.
Income & Expenditure - 1960
Personal Income per Person

Newfoundland	856
Prince Edward Island	971
New Brunswick	1035
Nova Scotia	1177
Quebec	1309
Saskatchewan	1448
Manitoba	1526
Alberta	1573
British Columbia	1806
Ontario	1820
Yukon & N.W.T.	1333
CANADA	1540

IV

Approximate percentage of women dentists in the following
countries -

Norway	30 per cent
Sweden	30 " "
Finland	75 " "
Soviet Union	70 " "
Great Britain	7 " "
CANADA	1.5 " "



SECTION J

PROVINCIAL LABORATORY SERVICES

1. Public health and clinical laboratory services are provided to residents in the Province of New Brunswick by the Provincial Laboratory Service, a Division of the Department of Health and by hospital laboratories. The services provided through the Laboratory Division constitute the great majority of these. In addition, many hospital laboratories are to some extent, supervised by the Provincial Laboratory Service and only a few of the smaller hospitals remain entirely independent. The Provincial Laboratory System provides a comprehensive service which offers all ordinary clinical and public health examinations excluding only those unusual and rarely performed procedures which are requested with insufficient frequency to make the performance of them a feasible operation. All tests done by both the Provincial Laboratories and the hospital laboratories are provided without charge to in-patients. Out-patient services are at present organized, as follows:

(a) Syphilis serology tests and the serological investigation of pre-natal cases are provided free to residents of the province and are supported by special federal and provincial grants.

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1 residents of New Brunswick as insured out-
2 patient services of the hospitalization
3 plan. It should be noted that this last
4 group is provided free to residents of New
5 Brunswick only when the work is done in
6 Provincial Laboratories, not when it is done
7 in hospital laboratories. This policy was
8 adopted at the insistence of Federal Health
9 authorities and should be reconsidered. At
10 present there are 11 Pathologists in the
11 provincial laboratory services plus one in
12 the Federal D.V.A. Hospital. Three of the
13 provincial pathologists have not yet written
14 specialist examinations. Future plans and
15 estimates indicate that we require an addition-
16 al 4 Pathologists to provide the service
17 adequately. At the time of writing we have
18 6 senior laboratory officers, that is,
19 laboratory workers who hold a university
20 degree. To provide adequate coverage and
21 expansion of service we would require 11
22 additional laboratory officers with this
23 type of training. There are 75 technicians
24 of varying degrees of experience and training
25 employed in the Regional Laboratory system.
26 In addition, it is estimated that approxi-
27 mately 20 technicians are employed by hospitals
28 throughout the province.

29 2 It is our opinion that the present system of
30 Regional Laboratories is particularly well adapted to



1 the needs of this province and that it should be continued
2 and expanded in the future. There are now five regions
3 served by these laboratories and a sixth and final
4 region should be developed in the near future. Also,
5 the provision of consultant services by pathologists and
6 laboratory workers to hospital laboratories which are
7 more or less remote from the Regional Laboratories
8 should be expanded to include every hospital laboratory
9 in the province. Technical control of the procedure
10 performed in every hospital laboratory should be exer-
11 cised by the Provincial Laboratory Service. The physical
12 facilities provided by the Provincial Laboratory Service
13 are excellent. The physical facilities in many of the
14 hospitals are good but, in others, leave much to be de-
15 sired. It should be our aim to provide each hospital
16 with facilities which are entirely adequate to perform
17 those tests which, in the opinion of the consultant path-
18 ologist, should be carried out in a hospital of that
19 particular size and level of activity.

20 3. Good laboratory services can only be produced
21 by qualified and conscientious people working in ade-
22 quate physical facilities. No serious difficulty has
23 been encountered in the past in the provision of funds
24 for expansion of facilities or purchase of equipment and
25 none is anticipated. There has always been great dif-
26 ficulty, however, in obtaining sufficient qualified
27 people to staff the Laboratories. This difficulty has
28 been greatly aggravated by the increased work load placed
29 on the Laboratory Service because of the advent of govern-
30 ment sponsored hospital insurance. Anticipated extension



1 of out-patient laboratory services promise to add an even
2 greater load. Over the past ten years, many laboratory
3 workers have been trained in this province, an average of
4 about 18 per year. Of these, many have remained here,
5 others have been attracted to other parts of Canada by
6 higher salaries and better working conditions. There is
7 only one realistic way to solve this problem, and that
8 is by bringing the terms of employment and levels of
9 remuneration up to a par with those in other parts of
10 Canada so that we will be able to compete on an equal
11 footing with them. The training programme for technicians
12 must be expanded so that sufficient numbers of trained
13 technicians will always be available. One of the most
14 serious needs of the province is for the senior laboratory
15 worker. The Laboratory Service has been able to attract
16 and retain very few university science graduates. This,
17 again, is because we are not in a position to compete
18 favourably, particularly with industry, for the services
19 of these people. The same observations may be made about
20 the professional laboratory staff. At least 5 more path-
21 ologists are required to bring the level of services in
22 this province up to that of other provinces. If we are
23 to retain those already established here and to attract
24 the others required to expand our services, then we must
25 be able to offer terms and conditions of employment which
26 allow us to compete on an equal footing with other
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4 with the object of raising the standards of laboratory
5 work in each hospital to that level which, in the opinion
6 of the consulting pathologists, is commensurate with the
7 size of the size of the hospital and the type of medical
8 practice carried on in it. Physical laboratory facilities
9 in these hospitals must also be brought up to the level
10 necessary to provide this standard of service. Conditions
11 of employment within the service must be such as will
12 enable us to attract, train and hold highly qualified
13 personnel at all levels or responsibility: professional,
14 supervisory and technical.

15 5. The provincial laboratory service is provided
16 to all the province in five regions. There is one chief
17 laboratory, four regional laboratories and two branch
18 laboratories. These laboratories provide all public
19 health laboratory service for the province as well as
20 pathological consultant and clinical laboratory service
21 for all hospitals of the province with the exception of
22 the Department of Veterans' Affairs Hospital at Lancaster
23 owned and operated by the Government of Canada. At this
24 hospital there is a Pathologist and a completely equipped
25 laboratory. To more adequately cover the province for
26 this service in the future, it is evident that an ex-
27 tension of this system is both desirable and necessary.
28 The extension will require one more regional laboratory
29 before 1965. To construct and equip this additional
30 facility will require an expenditure of \$190,000.00 and

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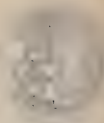
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6. It is here noted that there has been an annual increase in the volume of this service over the years. The establishment of a hospital service plan was considered likely to result in a marked increase in this service, as stated previously in this section, however, an analysis of our records have not substantiated this assumption. The following statistics are provided to prove that the anticipated increase did not occur.

Year	Units % increase	Tests % increase
1952	base	base
1953	12.8	14.8
1954	38.6	34.0
1955	21.1	45.2
1956	17.5	17.1
1957	23.3	13.9
1958	10.3	5.7



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1953	12.3	19.8
1957	23.8	21.2
1958	20.7	21.2



1	1959	13.4	15.5
2	1960	6.1	21.7
3	1961 Estimated	11.5	11.4

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5 The operation of the Hospital Service Plan became
6 effective on July 1, 1959.

7 The annual operating cost of the projected
8 facilities has not been estimated at this time because
9 of the time factor involved in the preparation of this
10 submission. Such estimates will be made available at a
11 later date.

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13 SECTION K

14 HEALTH PERSONNEL - TRAINING AND STAFF

15 1. Previous to this date, the undergraduate train-
16 ing of health personnel has been under the Department of
17 Education, while the postgraduate training in this field
18 has been substantially assisted with funds from the De-
19 partment of Health. Expenditures for postgraduate train-
20 ing under this department are claimed 100% from National
21 Health Grants. The following statistics indicate the
22 volume of training assisted by the Department of Health
23 over the past 12 years set forth in Table I. The ex-
24 penditures from public funds on training assistance to
25 individuals for the past 10 years is set forth in Table
26 II.

TABLE I

TRAINING OF PERSONNEL

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK

4		Personnel Trained	Personnel in Training	Total
5				
6	Psychiatrists	19	3	22
7	Radiologists	12	1	13
8	Public Health Nurses	55	7	62
9	Pathologists	5	-	5
10	Psychiatric Social Workers	32	3	35
11	Hospital Admini- stration and			
12	Management	14	3	17
13	Teaching and			
14	Supervision in Schools of Nursing	84	18	102
15	X-Ray Technicians	65	17	82
16	Laboratory			
17	Technicians	169	16	185
18	Training Paediatrics	14	6	20
19	Physiotherapists	15	8	23
20	Radiological Physics	1	-	1
21	Dental Hygienist	1	2	3
22	Psychologists	28	5	33
23	Obstetrics	23	1	24
24	Dietetics	10	1	11
25	Occupational			
26	Therapy	5	2	7
27	Medical Records Librarian	15	3	18
28	Psychiatric Nursing	18	3	21
29	Sanitary Engineers	3	-	3



Personnel in Training		Trained	
Sanitary Engineers	1	13	1
Medical Records	15	13	1
Occupational Therapy	1	10	1
Obstetrics	20	10	1
Radiochemical	1	1	1
Training Technicians	1	1	1
Technicians	1	1	1
X-Ray Technicians	1	1	1
Schools of Nursing	1	1	1
Supervision in Teaching and	1	1	1
Men's General	14	14	1
Social Workers	32	32	1
Psychiatric	1	1	1
Pathologists	1	1	1
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1	Bacteriology	5	-	5
2	Chemists	3	-	3
3	Diploma Public Health	4	-	4
4	Guidance Counsellor	2	-	2
5	Electroencephalo- graphy Technician	5	-	5
6	Clinical Photography	2	-	2
7	Speech Therapy	1	-	1
8	Medical Social Worker	1	-	1
9	Health Education	1	-	1
10	Public Health			
11	Dentistry	1	-	1
12	Child Welfare Worker	1	-	1
13	Master of Public Health	1	-	1
14	Master of Public Administration	1	-	1
15	Rehabilitation Social Worker	1	-	1
16	Nutritionist	1	-	1
17	Neurology	1	-	1
18	Nursing Unit Administration	-	2	2
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3	sta
4	Diploma Public Health
5	Guidance Counsellor
6	Electroencephalo-
7	Graphic Technician
8	
9	Medical Social
10	
11	
12	Centrally
13	Child Welfare
14	
15	Master of Public
16	
17	Master of Public Administration
18	
19	Social Worker
20	
21	Neurology
22	Administration

TABLE II

TRAINING ASSISTANCE FOR HEALTH PERSONNEL

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK 1952 - 1961

TEN YEARS

<u>Year</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
1952	\$102,505.00
1953	121,600.00
1954	135,100.00
1955	141,500.00
1956	127,000.00
1957	158,500.00
1958	194,200.00
1959	283,700.00
1960	266,800.00
1961 (Estimated)	244,100.00
TOTAL	<u>\$1,775,005.00</u>

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1 these special training facilities in many fields.

2 The following health training facilities are
3 available in New Brunswick:

4 (a) Laboratory Technicians are trained at a
5 central school operated and financed by the
6 Department of Health with assistance from
7 National Health Grants. This school is capable
8 of graduating 24 technicians each year.

9 (b) Radiological Technicians are trained at
10 four hospital centers in the province. These
11 training centers are capable of graduating 15
12 technicians annually.

13 (c) Training facilities for the undergraduate
14 training of nurses consist of 13 hospital
15 training schools for nurses, which are capable
16 of graduating approximately 220 nurses yearly.
17 Since the course is of three years duration,
18 then, at any given time, there could be 660
19 student nurses in training.

20 (d) The University School of Nursing established
21 recently is staffed and equipped to graduate
22 25 nurses annually. This facility provides a
23 four year university course and qualifies the
24 student for a Bachelor of Nursing degree, and
25 also entitled them to sit for the registration
26 examination of the New Brunswick Association
27 of Registered Nurses. This school also organi-
28 zes and operates numerous short courses,
29 institutes and refresher courses in the post-
30 graduate field of nursing.



(e) Facilities for the training of Nurse Assistants are provided at five hospital centers and two vocational training centers.

(f) Mental Hospitals are approved for two years of resident training in psychiatry. Two general hospitals are approved for resident training in Radiology, while three hospitals are approved for interne training.

3. The majority of the foregoing sections contain information regarding deficiency of personnel for the service related to that particular section. Comments on nursing personnel in hospital services and physicians in private practice are provided in the following paragraphs.

(a) Nurses on the active Register in New Brunswick in 1960 totalled 2163, while in 1961, the total has increased to 2304. In addition it is known at the present time that there are approximately 50 graduate nurses working in the province who are not registered. It is stated frequently by various individuals interested in health problems in our province that there is a marked shortage of nursing personnel in the general hospitals of the province. A survey estimate on all the hospitals, except two, which remain to be completed, will set forth this situation as it exists as of this date. This analysis was computed on the basis of all types of personnel engaged in providing nursing service directly to the patient.

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1 Student nurses were included on the basis of
2 two students providing the same volume of nurs-
3 ing service as one graduate nurse. Such surveys
4 have indicated that there is an excess of at
5 least 43 personnel in the nursing service of
6 our active treatment general hospitals. From
7 the above, it would appear that we are adequate-
8 ly staffed for this type of health personnel
9 in general hospitals. This view is further
10 supported by statistics from the Canada Year
11 Book, 1960, which indicates that in 1958 the
12 nursing staff to patient ratio was higher in
13 the general hospitals of New Brunswick than any
14 other province in Canada except the province
15 of Ontario, and indeed, at that time, we were
16 7% above the national average.

17 4. There are 486 registered medical doctors in
18 this province at this time. In addition, there is ap-
19 proximately 7 doctors at the D.V.A. Hospital, Lancaster,
20 who provide service to veterans resident in the province,
21 but do not appear on the provincial medical register.
22 This would provide an overall ratio of doctors to popu-
23 lation of 1:1238. The ratio in 1951 was 1:1530. The
24 national average at the present time is 1:888. The total
25 number of medical doctors are divided in categories as
26 follows:

- 27 (a) There are 99 doctors on full time salary.
28 (b) There are 389 doctors in private practice
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There are 456 registered medical doctors in this province at this time. In addition, there is an approximately 7 doctors at the D.V.A. Hospital, Lancaster, who provide service to veterans resident in the province, but do not appear on the provincial medical register. This would provide an overall ratio of doctors to population of 1:1238. The ratio in 1951 was 1:1530. The national average at the present time is 1:886. The total number of medical doctors are divided in categories as

(a) There are 99 doctors on full time salary.

(b) There are 259 doctors in private practice

of medicine of which, 154 are qualified

as specialists in the various fields of



medicine.

Please refer to the following tables and sketch
map for distribution of medical manpower in New Brunswick.

Medical Personnel in Private Practice in New
Brunswick by Hospital Regions

Total: 389

	<u>Regular</u>		<u>General</u>
	<u>Physicians</u>	<u>Specialists</u>	<u>Practitioners</u>
Region 1	54	24	30
Region 2	20	2	18
Region 3	94	62	32
Region 4	95	41	54
Region 5	35	6	29
Region 6	24	3	21
Region 7	27	10	17
Region 8	40	6	34
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TOTALS	389	154	235
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Medical Personnel in Private Practice in New
Brunswick by H. [illegible]

Physicians		Specialists		General Practitioners	
1	24	1	24	1	24
2	20	2	20	2	20
3	24	3	24	3	24
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5	25	5	25	5	25
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Population Served by Medical Personnel in Private
Practice in New Brunswick, by Hospital Regions,
showing:

	(a) Physician - Population Ratio	(b) Specialist - Population Ratio	(c) Gen. Practit- ioner - Population Ratio
Region 1	1:1290	1:2902	1:2322
Region 2	1:1228	1:12280	1:1365
Region 3	1:1317	1:1998	1:3871
Region 4	1:1368	1:3176	1:2407
Region 5	1:1726	1:10066	1:2083
Region 6	1:1194	1:9533	1:1336
Region 7	1:1629	1:4401	1:2589
Region 8	1:3071	1:20472	1:3613

* See Map and Table on next page showing all medical
personnel, including salaried physicians, by
Hospital Regions.

Table 1. Ratio of Medical Personnel to Population
by Hospital Region

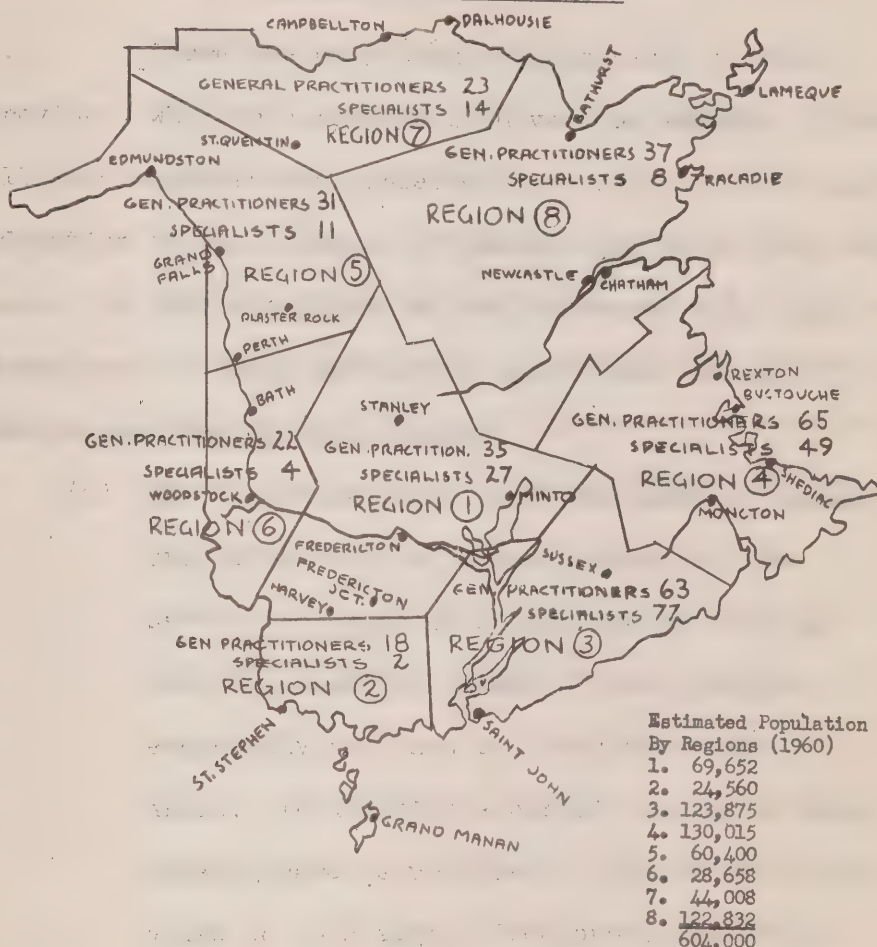
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DISTRIBUTION of MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS in NEW BRUNSWICK

BY HOSPITAL REGIONS



REG. PHYSICIANS, 486 - GEN. PRACTITIONERS, 294 - SPECIALISTS, 192

DISTRIBUTION OF SPECIALISTS

SPECIALTY	HOSPITAL REGIONS								TOTALS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Medicine	4	-	16	8	2	-	-	-	30
Surgery	8	1	23	20	5	1	8	4	70
Obstetrics)	3	-	6	3	-	-	1	-	13
Gynaecology)									
Neurology	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Ophthalmology)	3	1	6	5	1	1	2	1	20
Otolaryngology)									
Anaesthesiology	2	-	5	4	1	-	-	1	13
Pediatrics	2	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	8
Psychiatry	1	-	4	2	-	-	1	-	8
Urology	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	5
Pathology	2	-	3	2	-	-	1	-	8
Radiology	1	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	7
Diagnostic									
Therapeutic									
Both	1	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	7
TOTALS	27	2	77	49	11	4	14	8	192



SECTION L

VOLUNTARY AGENCIES

1. There are many such organizations in this province, who are concerned with various aspects of health. All such agencies are concerned with publicity and health education in that segment of health care which they represent. In this submission we are concerned only with the organizations which provide an appreciable amount of health services to individuals.

(a) The Victorian Order of Nurses have 40 nurses providing service in New Brunswick. The service consists of public health nursing service in certain areas of the province, especially confined to towns and urban areas. In addition a certain volume of home nursing care is provided. Assistance is provided to this agency from provincial funds for the public health service they provide to the extent of \$31,250.00 annually. The home nursing service is provided for a small fee to those who can pay and to those who cannot pay the service is provided free of charge.

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2 (c) The Saint John Ambulance Society provides a
3 comprehensive instruction service in all
4 aspects of first aid to the injured, as well
5 as providing a province wide ambulance service
6 for emergency transport of the ill and all sick
7 persons who are unable to provide this service
8 on their own responsibility. In the past,
9 financial assistance was provided to this agency
10 from the Department of Health for the purchase
11 of ambulance vehicles to the extent of \$4,000.
12 00 annually.

13 (d) The Red Cross Society provides certain nursing
14 service in out-posts and public health regions
15 of the province. A grant in aid for this
16 service was provided to this agency in 1960
17 to the extent of \$1,300.00. The major service,
18 which is indeed a valuable one, is that of the
19 Red Cross Transfusion Service. To assist the
20 service, a grant of \$5,000.00 annually towards
21 the operation of the provincial Red Cross Depot
22 and \$30,000.00 to assist in the technical costs
23 of processing the blood relative to the supply
24 utilized in this province. This service is
25 now a facility under the Hospital Service Plan.

26 (e) The Foundation for Poliomyelitis provides
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2 Department of Health provides the vaccine
3 necessary for this service with assistance
4 from National Health Grants.

5 (f) The Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society
6 (New Brunswick Branch) renders service to
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8 clinics and two mobile physiotherapy clinics
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SECTION M

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

1. The provision of prescription drugs is assuming increasing proportions both as to increased utilization as is shown by the increasing number of prescriptions per thousand of population and an increasing cost per service or prescription. It is felt that if generic, chemical or non-proprietary nomenclature were used this could result in an appreciable saving on this service.

2. At the present time drug therapy in all the hospitals of the province is being provided to in-patients from public funds at a total annual cost of \$1,263,000.00 or a per capita cost of 32.04. Approximately 50% of this cost is claimed from the Government of Canada and the remainder is provided by the Government of New Brunswick.

3. If prescription drugs were extended to the population outside hospitals, excluding certain items such as vitamin preparations, that may properly be considered a food supplement in most cases, then the estimated cost in this field for 1962 would be \$1,922,000.00 or a per capita cost of \$3.10. Then there would be a total cost of prescription drugs of \$3,185,000.00 for all the population or a total per capita cost of \$5.14.

4. The provision of prescription drugs to the population from public funds probably should be considered next to medical care on the list of priorities for health services. It is realized, however, that this item of



health services, when provided from public funds, may easily be subject to abuse in the field of over-utilization both by the providers of the service and the receivers of the service.

5. The foregoing estimates may be subject to revision at a later date after further research and statistics are analyzed.

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capita of total population.

(b) Number two priority would be medical service
for all children up to the seventeenth birth-
day. The estimate for this group in our
population in 1962 is 438,000 children.
It is further estimated that the total cost
of providing this service for this group of
the population would be \$4,860,800.00 in
1962 or a cost of \$7.84 per capita of total
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It is estimated that these Acts cover approxi-
mately 3% of the population or 18,000 people.
Then total population in 1962 of 620,000 -
18,000 equals 602,000 eligible persons under
such a plan. Estimated total cost of such
a service in 1962 would be \$12,341,000.00 or
a cost of \$19.90 per capita of the total
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individuals not in hospital is included in
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1 as a food supplement.

2 In any future extension of health services
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Now, what would be your view on that, Dr. Dumont, in the Province of New Brunswick? You appear to be better situated than the other three Atlantic Provinces in terms of manpower, in terms of personnel, but what are your obvious weaknesses in that respect at the present time?

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1 province had participated in a post-graduate training of
2 health personnel. That is one page 3, item k, I am
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11 the Province of New Brunswick?

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1 people do you put on any conditions of returning to the
2 province for a certain time?

3 MR. KELLY: Yes. We have bursary
4 commitments. For example, if we train an individual for
5 two years we take a bursary commitment for a term of
6 service, two years, and in a few cases we have taken as
7 much as four years. But usually we don't do this;
8 usually it is equal to the training time, and usually we
9 receive a refund of the training commitment when it is
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11 now, and we have to train bi-lingual and English speaking
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17 for the north of the province.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: How do you go about
19 recruitment then?

20 DR. KELLY: We use every means
21 possible. We have at times in the past sent people up to
22 the high schools to speak to the students. We have tried
23 to make it known to the people of all facilities that
24 these grants are available if they want people trained.
25 If no one else will sponsor them, we will sponsor them in
26 the Department of Health, because we want them trained.

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13 submission, probably in April or when the time comes.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: That would be
15 excellent, Dr. Kelly.

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17 some of our financial estimates. I may not have said it
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21 hospital facilities.

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4 portion of health services that is not now supplied from
5 public funds, and I left out three words there. It should
6 have said excluding home care. This is not included in
7 it. I would like to apologize for the errors and omissions
8 in this, but we didn't have time to proof read it very
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11 now provided from public funds excluding home care.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: By home care, do
13 you mean anything more than nursing care in the home?

14 DR. KELLY: Yes, that is what I
15 mean.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, this figure of
17 \$25.35. Are you able to tell us roughly how you arrived
18 at that, we appreciate it is an estimate.

19 DR. KELLY: Yes, it is, I realize
20 this too. However, I might say to you here and now that
21 I had worked four years ago, as a matter of fact it is
22 five years ago now, on this same problem of projecting
23 costs, and I had projected my costs at that time to the
24 year of 1960. This was not only hospital services, but
25 also medical care and dental care and things such as this.
26 At that time I used the Dominion Bureau of Statistics
27 figures and so forth.

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10 profession is going to tell me I didn't have any basis
11 for this, but I understand that in various other provinces
12 the medical profession are accepting from voluntary
13 sponsored plans this scheduled fee of 85 per cent. This
14 is what I used here, which may make this look slightly
15 small.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: What part of the
17 \$25.35 is allotted to medical services?

18 DR. KELLY: \$19.90.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: So it is to that
20 that the 85 per cent would have relevance?

21 DR. KELLY: Yes, and the remainder
22 is dental services.

23 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
24 Dr. Kelly.

25 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Mr. Chairman,
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3 Does that mean that you have more applications for nurses
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5 DR. KELLY: No. This, Mr. Commissioner,
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7 nurses employed in the hospitals throughout our province.
8 This was looked at hospital by hospital by our consultant
9 in nursing, and this is the figure which we came up with.
10 I might point out that we are using here in these
11 statistics the service rendered by two student nurses is
12 equal to the service rendered by one graduate nurse.
13 This is what we used, therefore, we are counting our
14 total student nurses in the hospital schools of training
15 divided by two, would be the figure which would be used
16 for service, and to this we add the graduate nurses.

17 I was a little disturbed by this
18 figure, but when I went to the Canada Year Book and found
19 that in 1958 we were exactly in this position, we had a
20 higher ratio of nursing personnel to patients than any-
21 where else in Canada except Ontario, and I could see no
22 reason why the Province of New Brunswick, a poor province
23 we say and everybody else says, should have a higher
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25 than the national average.

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12 for thirty years, so I wanted to give the proper explan-
13 ation to you, Miss Girard.

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9 providing hospital care under the federal-provincial
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11 the number of nurses and set up an arbitrary ratio?

12 DR. KELLY: No, not yet our Minister
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14 THE CHAIRMAN: Are you aware that
15 that is done in other provinces?

16 DR. KELLY: I was aware of that, yes.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: And in Saskatchewan?

18 DR. KELLY: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
20 referring to the dental health section which is actually
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8 COMMISSION STRACHAN: Do you have
9 any solution to your dental-population ratio?

10 DR. KELLY: No, I don't have any
11 solution to this, but I think however, that a publicity
12 campaign might result in more people taking dentistry.
13 I think we should concentrate more on the female. They
14 make excellent dentists, our director of dental health
15 tells me.

16 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: That is
17 recognized.

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19 to any of these problems of getting students to train,
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6 hospitals; I am sure we have deficiencies in nursing
7 personnel. Certain other hospitals must be over-staffed.

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9 I had intended to pursue one question in connection with
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5 this is a very carefully thought out submission. It is
6 well documented, and your recommendations are specific,
7 including the financial implications. We are also en-
8 couraged to hear from Dr. Kelly that we may get a
9 supplementary submission. Would it be appropriate, Mr.
10 Minister, if our research staff on going through this
11 very constructive and helpful brief were to address
12 specific questions to your department for supplementary
13 information?

14 DR. DUMONT: Certainly. We certainly
15 would be willing as far as we can provide that information
16 to supply it to your Commission.

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COMMISSIONER MONTGOMERY: Thank you.

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8 this situation, with particular reference to the specific
9 needs of the Province of New Brunswick, and if you don't
10 have that formula at your disposal at the moment, could
11 you include a proposal in your written submission?

12 DR. KELLY: I think I would like to
13 try it; I think I can.

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15 Dr. Kelly. May I now turn to paragraph 5 on the same
16 page in which you suggest that your experience has been,
17 ".... in services which were initiated under National
18 Health grants becoming a responsibility of the provincial
19 treasury, so that 25 per cent of the grant would remain
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22 services?

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24 segment of the grant but I am not in favour of this large
25 segment. You can see what this is doing: This is
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19 sir: That is a specific suggestion which we can consider.

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21 say that the total of all National Health Grants avail-
22 able to the province for the present year is approximately
23 \$1.9 million: What proportion of this amount are you
24 expecting to use during the current year?

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26 at least 95 per cent of this. I might point out here
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3 December 31st leaves three full months in our fiscal year,
4 and it is sometimes impossible to tell by December 31st
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6 whether you are not going to be able to get that service
7 into operation. If you don't do it before December 31st,
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9 for any other service.

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11 subsequent submission would it be possible for you to let
12 us have a specific proposal of how you can overcome that
13 administrative difficulty so that the Province of New
14 Brunswick would get 100 cents on the dollar?

15 DR. KELLY: Yes, I would like to do
16 that. I have made this proposal to Ottawa on several
17 occasions, but they have turned me down.

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22 turn to section C dealing with mental health, on page 3,
23 the second last paragraph, where you speak of a child
24 guidance service for the mentally ill child as well as the
25 child with behaviour problems, as being both desirable
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1 examination and other examinations of school children?

2 DR. KELLY: I would be in favour of
3 a programme for other examinations. I am not qualified,
4 I don't think, to make a decision on the programme of
5 psychiatric examination of school children. I would not
6 like to comment on that aspect of your question.
7 Personally, I would not be in favour of the psychiatric
8 part of the programme for school children. This is my
9 personal view. Now, psychiatrists may have different
10 views on this.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are there
12 any plans afoot to provide for examination of school
13 children in the Province of New Brunswick, physical or
14 otherwise?

15 DR. KELLY: You mean a completely
16 organized plan?

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Yes?

18 DR. KELLY: No.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are there
20 any plans under consideration?

21 DR. KELLY: No. The only programme
22 we have at the present time is that the public health
23 nursing service go into the schools, but it is left in
24 many cases to the teacher to decide whether this child
25 needs a medical examination, whether this child has
26 defective eyesight or defective hearing and, of course,
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29 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would you
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2 DR. KELLY: Yes, I think it is very
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15 DR. KELLY: I think, just briefly,
16 this should be a screening programme, and any that come
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20 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: That is a
21 very constructive answer, Dr. Kelly, thank you very much.
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19 too much. If you go much above this figure in an active
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10 one package out of public funds.

11 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I can see
12 from your observations that you and your colleagues have
13 given some thought as to how the system can be improved
14 in a period of time. Would it be possible to have your
15 ideas in specific terms as to how it could be improved
16 in your subsequent supplementary submission?

17 DR. KELLY: I would be happy to
18 do so. I don't know what the result would be.

19 THE CHAIRMAN: You referred to the
20 increase to 1,776 in hospital days. What has been the
21 effect, if any, on the average patient days?

22 DR. KELLY: There has been a slight
23 increase. When the plan came into effect the average
24 was 8.9 days; from the last statistics I have from
25 hospital service it looked like 10.2 or 10.4.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: That is a substantial
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12 gone to seven.

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18 \$308,600.00 to residents of New Brunswick."

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26 out-patient services on a much broader basis so that it
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24 tic work. I mean the average, the average facilities.

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26 would tend to encourage physicians to give the modern
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1 when I suggested you might make this information avail-
2 able to us, may I just expand on it -- and we would
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5 mation is for the Royal Commission to have an understand-
6 ing of the problems that the people in the various
7 provinces face, as to how to deal with some of the pro-
8 blems we encounter, so I hope that your co-operation will
9 assist us in understanding the problem in giving us that
10 information.

11 If I may turn now to section F
12 which deals with child and maternal health services, on
13 page 6 in the first paragraph, you say that drugs for
14 hospital use be bought in quantity by a central provincial
15 purchasing agency. Can you tell us, Dr. Kelly, how does
16 the Province of New Brunswick purchase drugs at the
17 present time?

18 DR. KELLY: The Province of New
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26 Department of Health and those owned and operated by other
27 organizations, religious organizations, they purchase
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29 bought from a central supply.

30 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Do those



When I suggested you might make this information avail-

able to us, may I just expand on it -- and we would

welcome any contribution which you and your associates

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mation is for the Royal Commission to have an understand-

ing of the problems that the people in the various

provinces face, as to how to deal with some of the pro-

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assist us in understanding the problem in getting us that

information.

If I may turn now to section F

which deals with child and maternal health services, on

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5 one tuberculosis hospital and one rehabilitation centre,
6 if you want to call it that, that is under provincial
7 control. There are three other tuberculosis hospitals
8 which are not under provincial control and they do not
9 call for tenders as far as I am aware.

10 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is your
11 recommendation on page 6 based on the expectation that
12 if there were a central provincial purchasing agency for
13 drugs you may be able to purchase drugs at a lower price?

14 DR. KELLY: It is more than an
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16 D.S.C.R., which became the D.V.A., they had a very
17 excellent arrangement where they could purchase drugs
18 in this department for about at least a quarter that the
19 hospital could purchase even from their own government,
20 and if we could have that type of arrangement, I could
21 bring my drug estimates down.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: In view
23 of the views you have just given to us, is the government
24 at present considering the establishment of a central
25 purchasing agency for drugs for the province as a whole
26 covering those institutions which are under provincial
27 public control?

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4 drugs. Now, for the government institutions we manage
5 along the lines as just described by my friend here, Dr.
6 Kelly. We do have some for the public health immunization,
7 vaccines, and we do buy those centrally, but as far as
8 calling for tenders, there is no official plan yet.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Thank you.

10 May I now turn to section I dealing with dental health.

11 On page 4 you offer the conclusion:

12 "That the best dental care for the citizens
13 of New Brunswick can only be obtained by the
14 establishment of a comprehensive service which
15 may never be wholly adequate but which is
16 equally available to all who demand it and which
17 will be paid for by the community as a whole."

18 Dr. Kelly, are you applying this principle also to the
19 provision of a general medical care plan as contained in
20 the report?

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23 medical care, although I might say this, that it is my
24 opinion that there are people in this province who are
25 not getting adequate medical care, and the reason they
26 are not getting it is because they don't have the material
27 to purchase it with.

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9 DR. KELLY: First let me say this.
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11 has presented, and I have said it on the behalf of the
12 Minister, is what the people of New Brunswick should
13 have is adequate health services. Now, going back to
14 your former question, would you please rephrase it again?

15 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If you
16 look at page 4, the second paragraph, would you say that
17 a medical care programme should be "equally available
18 to all who demand it" in the Province of New Brunswick?

19 DR. KELLY: I should take the word
20 "demand" out. I think it should be equally available to
21 all who need it. Certainly we should not make any service
22 in the future sponsored or paid for by public funds
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24 it available to everybody who needs it. Now, the differ-
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4 DR. KELLY: Yes, require. I think
5 demand is a poor word because this is certainly not true.
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7 suicide.

8 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: I accept
9 your explanation, thank you. I come now to the last part
10 of the question. Would medical care services on a com-
11 prehensive basis be made available to the people of New
12 Brunswick according to these conclusions on the basis of
13 payment of and I quote, "the community as a whole". Is
14 that your recommendation or conclusion?

15 DR. KELLY: I think the word
16 community as a whole there means the province. It is not
17 my recommendation at all that municipalities should pay,
18 because municipalities in our province do not agree this
19 well.

20 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: But I take
21 it that community as a whole means all the people in the
22 Province of New Brunswick?

23 DR. KELLY: That is right.

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25 ever contributions you can obtain from the rest of Canada?

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14 a little earlier these are recommendations, these are
15 conclusions which you and your colleagues have arrived
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17 happen?

18 DR. KELLY: No.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We are not
20 inquiring here as to what will happen. We are interested
21 in your views, the Minister, the Government, the experts,
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23 be a desirable programme for the Province of New Brunswick,
24 and for the people of New Brunswick, provided appropriate
25 arrangements can be made to finance such a programme?

26 DR. KELLY: Yes.

27 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well, that
28 is a clear and direct answer, thank you Dr. Kelly. Have
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23 views on the advice of his advisers.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, you have
25 been in the witness box for quite a while. We are very
26 grateful to you for the assistance to the Commission,
27 and again the contents of the brief, and the very willing
28 way in which you have given the information asked from
29 you this morning, and you have been of very, very great
30 assistance to the Commission, and I want to thank you



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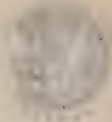
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17 Victorian Order branches, particularly
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19 ated facilities such as office accommodation and furniture,
20 telephone answering service and cars.

21 As long as there is a need for Victor-
22 ian Order service an effort will be made to find ways and
23 means of financing it.

24 I might say here that an effort will
25 be made, but I would not wish the Commission to get the
26 idea that the effort is easy.

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28 with no premium, is available to all citizens there appears
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11 experiment in new programs and to cooperate in any program
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14 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further
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16 Seaman or Mr. Fowler, or Dr. Prince, Miss Anderson?

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18 universal hospital programme, which is now available to
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20 medical service, I mean a complete health programme,
21 similarly available, are you able to say what would be
22 the function of a voluntary organization such as yours
23 in that future, if it should come about?

24 MISS SEAMAN: I believe, sir, that
25 it would still have a place in caring for any illness at
26 home, because for many patients recovery is more rapid
27 and rehabilitation is more quickly attained in their own
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12 that as a factor?

13 MISS SEAMAN: I think so, sir.

14 MR. MURPHY: I might say, Mr. Chair-
15 man, to answer the other side of this order. From our
16 viewpoint we find that it is becoming more difficult to
17 get money donated for the reason that the people who
18 normally support these organizations now don't understand
19 why they have to have the V.O.N., because they assume that
20 anybody who is sick can go to the hospital and be looked
21 after. Of course, that is not the case, but I think that
22 in any place if a person can save money, that is, not
23 give it away, that he will find an excuse or a reason for
24 keeping it, and we are running into that trouble.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: I take it you are not
26 saying that as applying only to the V.O.N.?

27 MR. MURPHY: No, no.

28 THE CHAIRMAN: That is a common
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MR. MURPHY: I might say, Mr. Chairman, to answer the other side of this order, from our viewpoint we find that it is becoming more difficult to get money donated for the reason that the people who normally support these organizations now don't understand why they have to have the V.O.N., because they assume that anybody who is sick can go to the hospital and be looked after. Of course, that is not the case, but I think that in any place if a person can save money, that is, not give it away, that he will find an excuse or a reason for keeping it, and we are running into that trouble.

THE CHAIRMAN: I take it you are now saying that as applying only to the V.O.N.?

MR. MURPHY: No, no.

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Health Instruction			13,052	20.
Infant			8,315)	
Preschool			1,074)	(16.9)
School			1,565)	
Adult			2,098	
Other visits **			2,423	4.
TOTAL	10,865	100.	64,719	100

* Newborn: age 28 days or less. Visits include 7,427 for health instruction.

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Source: Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, Branch Statistics 1960

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1 - 3 months	459	19.9	3,496	10.7
3 mos. to 1 year	370	16.	7,645	23.4
1 year and over	134	5.8	17,357	53.1
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BY CASES AND VISITS

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	Cases	Visits	Cases	Visits	Cases	Visits	Cases	Visits	Cases	Visits	Cases	Visits
ALL CAUSES	1,347	4,204	829	11,141	78	5,522	27	2,350	27	9,485	2,308	32,702
Malignant Neoplasms	45	199	29	619	2	164	1	48	1	205	78	1,235
Diabetes	42	219	22	1,067	4	1,235	-	-	2	372	70	2,893
Anemias	29	184	83	1,444	14	1,229	7	402	8	2,031	141	5,290
Central Nervous System	107	392	101	1,048	7	416	4	389	3	1,255	222	3,500
Diseases of Heart	35	132	39	1,083	7	716	2	229	2	1,305	85	3,465
Other Diseases	17	93	17	624	2	110	1	13	2	528	39	1,368
Arthritis & Rheumatism	13	24	11	118	3	155	-	-	1	35	28	332
Symptoms, Senility, ill-defined conditions	174	435	91	1,108	8	413	1	115	1	301	275	2,402
TOTAL	462	1,678	393	7,141	47	4,438	16	1,196	20	6,032	938	20,485

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APPENDIX II

1. SUMMARY OF GENERAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR 1960
IN NEW BRUNSWICK

NURSING FEES

Patients \$23,253.00

Other * 512.00

GRANTS

Municipal 80,033.00

Provincial 30,125.00

Other ** 5,000.00

COMMUNITY APPEALS

Community Chest 12,979.00

Branch Campaigns 14,284.00

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE 1,341.00

INCOME FROM SECURITIES
AND INVESTMENT 410.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Donations, gifts, etc. 2,754.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$170,691.00

* Other includes payment from contracts with Department
of Veterans Affairs

**Other includes grants from school boards, insurance
companies and cancer clinics

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NURSING FEES

Patient

\$100.00

GRANTS

Municipal

\$10,150.00

\$10,900.00

\$1,341.00

AND INTEREST

\$1,700.00

\$10,000.00

* Other includes payment from contracts with Department of Veterans Affairs



2. SUMMARY OF GENERAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
1960 IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Salaries (before tax and other
deductions)

Nursing staff	\$123,264.00
Other	4,374.00
Transportation Expenses	11,568.00
Rent and Related Expenses	3,559.00
Nursing Supplies & Equipment	964.00
Office Expenses *	3,171.00
General Expenses **	10,179.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	691.00
Sundry (unspecified)	407.00

Capital Disbursements

Automobile purchase payments	2,596.00
Furniture & Office Equipment	400.00
Transferred to Car Deprecia- tion Reserve Account	1,300.00
Loans repaid, bonds pur- chased, transfers to other special accounts	<u>641.00</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$163,114.00

* Among items included under Office Expenses are the following: Express; Inspection and Repair; Office Equipment; Nursing Forms and Records; Postage; Printing and Stationery; Telephone and Telegraph (including answering service).

** Among items included under General Expenses are the following: Advertising and Oublicity; Annual Meeting Expenses; Auditing, Bank Charges and Exchange; Dues and Subscriptions; Insurance - Staff accident, sickness - Employers' Liability, Workmen's Compensation, etc.; Laundry; National Professional Service Charge; Nurses Health Examinations; Post Office Safety Deposit Boxes; Refresher Courses; Pension Plan - Branch Contributions; Uniform Allowance.



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2 assistants in larger centres to fill certain requirements.

3 It is felt, however, in several of the branches that we
4 have in this province that it would not be economic, and
5 there would be insufficient work that they would be
6 equipped to do, and again it is felt that maybe a nurse
7 needs more background in dealing with certain kinds of
8 situations, and in order to take complete care of her
9 patients she needs to have more knowledge.

10 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: I have just
11 one question, Mr. Chairman. I would like to put it to
12 Mr. Murphy, and it is in your second paragraph on page 1:

13 "The generous support of these voluntary board
14 members not only creates interest in Victorian
15 Order service but is also a contributing factor
16 in making Victorian Order costs so moderate."

17 We hear that so much about voluntary organizations, and
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19 regard to the Victorian Order of Nurses. You may want
20 to answer this, or you may help me to understand, and my
21 question is, what is the factor which makes it possible
22 for voluntary organizations to render services at reduced
23 costs, or, as you say, moderate costs? Is it because of
24 the administrative factors, or is it because of certain
25 economical factors which voluntary organizations seem to
26 have?

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10 Hall, Chairman of the Royal Commission on Health Services:
11 Mr. Chairman and Members of the Royal Commission.
12 My name is John Flood, a construction engineer from Saint
13 John. I am appearing here today on behalf of and as
14 Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Maritime Hospital
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16 I would like to introduce the other members of our
17 delegation --

18 Mr. W. R. Fiske, Purchasing Agent, Lockhard
19 Woodworkers Limited of Moncton, Mr. Fiske is
20 Vice Chairman of our Board of Trustees.

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22 Meteghan River, N.S.

23 Mr. M. Alban Farmer, lawyer from Charlottetown,
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13 to all who need it. We have indicated also our belief
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12 by the family doctor. About three years ago the
13 Association introduced an Extended Health Benefits program
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15 medical costs, including such para-medical benefits as
16 nursing care; drugs; prosthetic appliances, and the like.
17 I do not wish to be repetitious, but I feel it necessary
18 to give you that background to show that we have a long
19 record of successful operation, and to show that MHSA
20 has a willingness and the desire to keep pace with great
21 advances being made in the healing arts and continually
22 to improve its offerings so as always to meet the needs
23 and the wishes of the people we serve.

24 Much credit for the success attained by MHSA can be
25 attributed to five factors:

26 1. Soundness of purpose - MHSA was created to help all
27 the people of this area solve their own health care
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(4) Six trustees, nominated by the Maritime

Hospital Association, represent the

Sponsoring Bodies

7. The medical care program of MNSA, referred

to as "Blue Shield", is sponsored by the Medical

Societies of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island,

with sponsorship being extended on an annual basis.

The Medical Societies of Nova Scotia and Newfoundland

maintain a close liaison with MNSA through the nominees

from each Province who occupy seats on the Board.

8. The hospital care program of MNSA, referred

to as "Blue Cross", is sponsored by the Maritime



1 and international organizations whose primary purposes
2 are (1) to promote non-profit health services, (2) to
3 advance the health and welfare of the public by co-
4 ordinating the methods, coverages, administrative opera-
5 tions and enrolment policies of member organizations.

6 10. MHSa having met established standards is a
7 voting member of:

8 (1) Trans-Canada Medical Plans.

9 This is an organization composed of prepayment
10 non-profit medical care plans which plans
11 are sponsored by the appropriate divisions of
12 the Canadian Medical Association. MHSa is
13 approved officially by the Medical Societies of
14 New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and
15 Newfoundland to represent the interests of
16 those Provinces on the TCMP Commission.

17 (Exhibit 1)

18 TCMP membership standards met by MHSa include
19 the following provisions:

- 20 (a) Medical sponsorship or approval;
21 (b) Operation on a non-profit basis;
22 (c) Free choice of physician;
23 (d) Service or indemnity type benefits -

24 Where service benefits are provided, a major-
25 ity of the doctors of the area must be par-
26 ticipating physicians who, by agreement,
27 accept the negotiated schedule of fees as
28 full payment under the terms of the contract.

29 (e) Reasonable promotional activities,
30 avoiding extravagant and misleading statements;



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- (e) Reasonable promotional activities.

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(f) Clearly and simply stated terms of membership and member benefits in Plan literature;

(g) Submission at regular intervals of reports on financial operations and membership growth, reflecting accurately the Plan's operations;

(h) Cooperation with other TCMP Plans in the enrolment and extension of services to employees of firms which operate in more than one Plan area.

(2) National Association of Blue Shield

This is an association with membership open to medically sponsored prepaid medical care plans in the United States and Canada. Its purpose is to promote the establishment and operation of non-profit voluntary medical care plans. It seeks to advance the health and welfare of the community by coordinating the methods, coverages, operations, and enrolment policies of its member plans. It has established approval standards to ensure that a high quality of medical care is maintained and that programs offered meet adequately the health needs of the public

(Exhibit 11)

(3) MHSA is also a member of several local, national and international organizations developed for the purpose of advancing, promoting, and coordinating the efforts of hospital-sponsored non-profit hospital service plans. Since the advent of Government-sponsored hospital service, Blue Cross continues to render an important service by supplementing Government hospital

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in important service by supplementing the resources of



1 programs so that all the facilities and services provided
2 by our community hospitals are available to the public
3 at a low cost through the mechanism of voluntary non-
4 profit prepayment.

5 MHSA is an accredited member of -

6 The Maritime Hospital Association

7 The Canadian Council of Blue Cross Plans

8 The Blue Cross Association of the American
9 Hospital Association. (Exhibit 111)

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11 11. The foregoing affiliations permit MHSA to par-
12 ticipate actively in voluntary non-profit movements
13 sponsored by medical doctors and hospitals throughout
14 Canada and the United States, which today protect over
15 50,000,000 members for medical services and almost
16 60,000,000 for hospital services, and which last year
17 paid out over 2½ billions of dollars in membership
18 benefits.

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20 MHSA's desire to utilize every avenue of information,
21 promotion and control in its effort to provide an ade-
22 quate program of benefits along with efficient and eco-
23 nomical service. It is evidence of its willingness to
24 accept self-imposed controls to ensure that standards
25 of quality of service, adequacy of benefits, efficiency
26 and economy of operation are maintained. It also
27 readily exchanges operating experience with other Plans,
28 in order to keep fully informed in this field to the end
29 that the community be extended a service that is second
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The Blind Cross Association of the American

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NATURE AND PURPOSE

13. MHSa was first organized in 1943 as a Blue Cross hospital plan offering standard ward care. Until the introduction of Government Hospital Insurance its record was one of expansion and growth. The Blue Shield medical care program was instituted in 1948. Through the active interest and leadership of the medical profession, Blue Shield has grown from a modest indemnity program to one offering a variety of medical and para-medical services, including a contract which provides comprehensive benefits on a service (full payment) basis for practically every service rendered by the attending physician. Through its unique affiliation with the medical profession and hospitals, MHSa has a history of continuous improvement in benefits. It shall continue to study ways and means of making adequate health care more readily available to every citizen including those in the higher risk categories. Its facilities are available for the administration of a program for those unable to provide for themselves and who must have financial help from government or some other agency.

14. MHSa is organized as a non-profit corporation. It is designed and operated to finance health care programs as a community service. It is a voluntary self-help effort employing the principles of insurance to spread the risk amongst those who participate. It is a mechanism through which the cost of all the services - preventive, diagnostic, and curative - essential to good health can be made available to all the people



of the Atlantic Provinces in a practical and economical manner. It is also the agency through which the subscriber meets with the representatives of the medical profession and the hospitals for the purpose of working out satisfactory arrangements for the provision of medical and hospital care.

Medical Professions' Cooperation

15. The medical profession has contributed much to the success attained by Blue Shield in the Atlantic Provinces; its sponsorship, cooperation and active participation in the operation of the medical care program has given to the residents of these provinces a program of quality medical care not otherwise possible. For example, the medical profession has given:

- (1) Guidance - It has taken a very active interest in Blue Shield and cooperated wholeheartedly in the drafting of the various medical care and hospital care programs thus assuring the public that benefits to be provided are consistent with medical need, good medical practice, and the availability of good medical care. Continuous review of existing programs ensures that Blue Shield program benefits keep pace with the great advances made in the field of medicine.
- (2) Lower Costs - In its negotiations with medical societies on the schedules of fees to be used in payment for services rendered Blue Shield members, MHSA recognizes that the profession is often prepared to accept less than its usual charges. This results in a tangible saving to



1 Blue Shield subscribers.

2 (3) Cost Controls - The provincial medical societies
3 have appointed reference committees composed
4 of outstanding and experienced doctors. To
5 these committees are referred such questions as
6 - payments for services not listed in the formal
7 schedules of fees; questions regarding extent of
8 services rendered and charges therefor, thus
9 providing the receiver and the provider of
10 services the right of recourse in case of dispute.
11 The intelligent, fair, and unbiased decisions
12 reached are accepted by all parties.

13 (4) Quality - The medical profession has manifested
14 a keen interest in maintaining a high standard
15 of medical care. For example, the societies
16 have taken the position that payments for x-ray
17 services be made only to qualified radiologists;
18 that payments for psychiatric care be made only
19 to specialists in psychiatry - such self-
20 imposed standards assure the public that a high
21 quality of medical care is provided.

22 (5) Financial Responsibility - The participating
23 physicians' agreement signed between MHSA and
24 each participating physician provides for the
25 prorating of claim payments in the event that
26 expenses exceed income. (A similar "prorating
27 clause" is found in the participating hospital
28 agreement.) Thus the medical profession (and
29 the hospitals) accept the ultimate responsibility
30 for the financing and the provision of subscriber



benefits. (Exhibit XI)

Non-Profit Feature

16. The non-profit feature of MHSA lies in the fact that there are no stockholders drawing profits, that members of the Board of Trustees receive no reimbursement for their services as Board members, that no sponsor or affiliated organization or employee of MHSA receives any commission or bonus payments. After the cost of administration has been provided for, the balance of the subscriber's membership dollar is available for the payment of benefits, for the provision of stabilization of membership rates, for contingency reserve, and for subscriber benefit improvements. This arrangement permits the use of the membership dollar for the greatest possible benefits.

Choice of Programs

17. In order to meet the needs and wishes of every segment of the population, MHSA offers the following standard contracts:

- (1) Blue Shield Comprehensive Surgical-Obstetrical-Diagnostic and Medical Care on a "service" basis. (Exhibit IV)
- (2) Blue Shield Surgical-Obstetrical and In-Hospital Medical Care on a "service" basis. (Exhibit V)
- (3) Blue Shield Surgical-Obstetrical and In-Hospital Medical Care on an "indemnity" basis. (Exhibit VI)
- (4) Blue Cross Supplementary Hospital benefits for semi-private and private room service basis. (Exhibit VII)



(5) Extended Health Benefits for hospital, surgical, obstetrical, diagnostic, medical, and paramedical care. (Exhibit VIII)

18. Through these contracts subscribers are offered a broad range of preventive, diagnostic, and curative services - an adequate program geared to provide a wide range of health services to meet the needs and wishes of the public. The subscriber is given complete freedom of choice in the selection of his medical doctor or hospital. In fact, MHSA makes payment for services rendered by non-participating physicians and hospitals in the same amount as would have been paid for a similar service provided by a participating doctor or hospital.

Membership Standards - Enrolment

19. Membership is available to most residents of the Atlantic Provinces. Persons who work where there are five or more persons on the payroll may apply for membership through a group at their place of employment. Over 2200 firms provide the facilities of monthly deductions of membership fees. Many employers encourage their employees to enrol by making a contribution towards membership costs. There are no age limits or health requirements for those who apply for group membership when first eligible. To qualify, groups must meet minimum percentage requirements.

20. Those persons who are unemployed, self-employed, or employed where there are fewer than ten on the payroll may apply for non-group membership. The exception to complete availability of membership



1 is that non-group applicants must be under 60 years
2 of age at the time of joining and are required to
3 complete a medical questionnaire. In this latter
4 regard, fewer than 2 per cent of those applying are
5 refused membership for medical reasons.

6 21. It should be noted that there are no age limits
7 for enrolled subscribers. Important, too, to the
8 subscriber is his right to continue as a direct-pay
9 subscriber when he no longer may be eligible for
10 group membership, the right to add newborn children
11 to family contracts, the right of dependent children
12 who are no longer eligible for dependents' benefits
13 under family contracts to be automatically extended
14 the right to individual membership, and the right of a
15 newly married subscriber to add the new wife or hus-
16 band to the contract. Once enrolled, a subscriber may
17 continue his membership regardless of age or state
18 of health.

19 22. Plan membership has grown at a satisfactory
20 pace - over 200,000 MHSA members have surgical-
21 obstetrical-medical coverage; over 271,000 hold sup-
22plementary hospital contracts for semi-private room
23 service. Exhibit LX shows that the majority of our mem-
24bers enjoy "service" type benefits.

25 Fulfilling Purpose

26 23. While the process of program improvement
27 never ends, it seems fair to state that under existing
28 arrangements the subscribers' interests are well served,
29 and that through the splendid cooperation given by the
30 medical profession and participating hospitals, MHSA is



fulfilling its purpose in making adequate programs of health care available on a voluntary low-cost basis.

RECORD OF OPERATION

Finance

24. The record of operations of MHSA is one of sound fiscal policy, maximum member benefits, well stabilized rate structure, and adequate reserves for contingencies and contract improvements.

25. For the period from June 1, 1943, the date of inception, through December 31, 1960, the financial record of MHSA respecting subscriber income and expenses is as follows:

Subscriber revenue	\$65,982,902.87	100.0%
Benefits	\$57,013,888.82	86.4%
Operating expense	\$ 6,744,090.56	10.2%
Available for future benefits	\$ 2,224,923.49	3.4%

26. As shown in the balance sheet (Exhibit X) the total reserve for future benefits as of December 31, 1960 is \$2,880,238.38. This consists of the balance of subscriber revenue available for future benefits as above, plus investment income in the amount of \$655,314.89. We are confident that MHSA has an unparalleled record of community service in the Atlantic Provinces. The cost of administration has been modest. Its reserves assure the membership that their contract rights are adequately protected.

Benefit Description

27. In addition to the basic contracts already

fulfilling its purpose in being adequate program of health care available on a voluntary basis.

RECORD ON OPERATIONS

24. The record on operations of MHA is as follows:

stabilized rate structure, and adequate reserve for

25. For the period from June 1, 1964 to June 30, 1964:

of MHA regarding expenditure income and expenses as follows:

Subscribed revenue	\$4,325,000.00
Benefits	\$4,325,000.00
Operating expenses	\$4,325,000.00
Available for income	

26. as shown in the table below:

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1 mentioned, MHSA underwrites special contracts tailored
2 to meet the specifications of individual groups.
3 However, for the purpose of this submission, we shall
4 review only the five basic contracts under which the
5 majority of MHSA membership is covered.

6 (1) Blue Shield Plan #3 - This is a "service
7 benefit" comprehensive surgical-obstetrical-
8 medical contract under which practically
9 every service provided by a general physician
10 in the hospital, patient's home, or doctor's
11 office is available. In addition, is
12 provided the services of a specialist con-
13 sultant when requested by the attending doc-
14 tor, as well as diagnostic aids such as
15 E.C.G.; B.M.R.; x-ray and laboratory ser-
16 vices provided by the attending doctor.

17 The "service benefit" provision is an
18 agreement under which, for specified services,
19 participating physicians accept MHSA payments
20 as full payment, as contrasted with an
21 "indemnity" provision, under which the sub-
22 scriber is responsible for any difference
23 between the indemnity schedule of fees and
24 the doctor's charge. (Exhibit IV)

25 (2) Blue Shield Plan #2 - This is also a "service
26 benefit" contract with all the features of
27 Plan #3 except that medical care for purely
28 medical cases is limited to in-hospital treat-
29 ment and there is no provision for diagnostic
30 x-ray and laboratory services. (Exhibit V)



(3) Blue Shield Plan #1 - This is an "indemnity" contract providing surgical-obstetrical and in-hospital medical benefits. The "indemnity" payments are according to the MHSA \$300 indemnity schedule of fees. (Exhibit VI)

(4) Blue Cross Hospital Plan - This is a contract which covers the hospital's extra charge for semi-private or private room accommodation, over the government's payment for standard ward service, and in addition provides benefits for specified out-patient services not included in the government hospital insurance program. (Exhibit VII)

(5) Extended Health Benefits - This type of coverage is often referred to as "Major Medical" insurance, and provides for payment by the subscriber of a deductible sum, similar to the deductible in an automobile insurance contract, and a co-insurance payment, generally of 20 per cent or 25 per cent of the balance of the expenses. We refer to our contract as "Extended Health Benefits" since it describes more accurately the protection provided. This contract provides payments for additional hospital and medical expenses, and para-medical services such as: private duty nursing care in or out of hospital; prescription drugs; ambulance; prosthetic appliances; rental of iron lung; etc. This contract is sold as a supplement to a MHSA

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purchase of a deductible and annual
the deductible in an automobile insurance

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1 standard contract.

2 Rates vary among groups due to variations
3 in such factors as basic contract benefits, the
4 amount of deductible and co-insurance appli-
5 cable and the group's distribution according
6 to age, marital status, sex, and income.

7 Benefits for each person protected are deter-
8 mined by each group and can be as much as
9 \$25,000 per person. (Exhibit VIII)

10 28. We wish to point out that our Extended Health
11 Benefits contract is a supplement to our basic con-
12 tracts which provide a broad base of surgical-obstetrical-
13 diagnostic-medical care on a first dollar basis. While
14 we offer a deductible-coinsurance supplement, we
15 recognize that such coverage is not universally
16 acceptable. It is useful for specific groups to
17 which the principle of deductible payment and a per-
18 centage coinsurance is attractive. By contrast, how-
19 ever, the recently adopted Federal Civil Service con-
20 tract with a deductible-coinsurance provision created
21 considerable dissatisfaction on the part of many
22 federal employees who felt obliged to discontinue their
23 then-existing more comprehensive coverage in order to
24 receive a Government contribution towards the cost of
25 their health care.

26 Facilities - Staff

27 29. The majority of MHSA experienced well-
28 trained staff, which numbers 125 persons, of which
29 one-third have at least 10 years of employment and
30 one-half have at least 5 years, work in the MHSA



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29. The majority of MHA experienced well-

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1 modern, well-equipped head office building located at
2 110 MacBeath Avenue, Moncton, N. B.. This is MHSA's
3 own property. Branch offices are maintained at
4 Charlottetown, Fredericton, Halifax, Saint John, and
5 St. John's, Newfoundland.

6 7 CURRENT NEEDS

8 30. While it is true that MHSA operations are
9 highly efficient and MHSA has progressed at a satis-
10 factory pace, it is equally true that there are still
11 community health needs to be met.

12 31. The most pressing needs are those related to
13 the extension of membership to the people of the Atlan-
14 tic Provinces who now lack adequate protection. We
15 are confident that out of current studies will evolve
16 methods of underwriting coverage for those persons
17 who presently have difficulty in obtaining, or in
18 financing membership in a voluntary health care program.

19 32. The segments of the population most in need
20 of protection and our thoughts for underwriting a pro-
21 gram of benefits for these groups are as follows:

22 (1) Indigents

23 There will always be those who are unable to
24 provide for themselves - these we shall always
25 have with us; consequently to some extent we are
26 our brother's keeper. Considerable study has
27 been given to the problem of financing health
28 care for the indigent. It appears that Govern-
29 ment must assume a responsible role in the solu-
30 tion of the problem. MHSA is prepared to extend

own property. Branch offices are maintained at

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1 every possible assistance.

2 We suggest that a practical solution might be
3 for Government to enrol as members of MHSA those
4 indigents who are receiving public assistance.
5 An arrangement under which all indigents receiv-
6 ing formal public assistance (what constitutes
7 formal public assistance must, of course, have
8 to be carefully defined) could be enrolled in
9 MHSA would ensure efficient operation and
10 freedom from political influence on a basis
11 protecting the individual's dignity at the time
12 of admission to the hospital or rendering of
13 care by the doctor. We are willing to administer
14 their membership at cost.

15 (2) High Risk Groups

16 Another problem is the extending of coverage
17 to those who for reasons of health or age are
18 classified as higher risk groups, some of whom
19 are currently considered ineligible for member-
20 ship. With respect to the aged it should not be
21 assumed that all persons over age 65 are without
22 medical coverage. We wish to point out that one
23 of the basic principles of MHSA has always been
24 that membership rights and contract benefits
25 may be continued for all enrolled members regard-
26 less of age, condition of health, or benefits
27 received. We have many members who are over
28 age 65 and who continue to enjoy the same con-
29 tract benefits as are provided other members.
30 Evidence of this fact was developed in a recent

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1 study of a block of MHSA claims totalling nearly
2 half-a-million dollars. Of these claims,
3 9.1 per cent were for persons age 65 or over,
4 but more significant, the cost of the claims
5 for these older age persons was 14.9 per cent of
6 the total. The problem of providing hospital-
7 medical coverage for elder citizens obviously
8 lies in the fact that the volume and the cost of
9 services increase with increasing age, and
10 further, that the reduced income status of the
11 older age group makes it difficult for many to
12 meet the cost of hospital-medical coverage.

13 As with the problem of health care for those
14 who cannot provide for themselves, considerable
15 study has been made in this regard, and the
16 concern of the medical profession with regard to
17 care for the indigent and elder citizens and its
18 willingness to share in the solution is indicated
19 in the following Resolution adopted at the recent
20 annual meeting of the Medical Society of New
21 Brunswick.

22 "BE IT RESOLVED:

23 "THAT the Economics Committee be requested to
24 continue its study on 'Indicare' and 'Eldercare'.
25 THAT the N.B. Medical Society, direct the
26 Economics Committee and the Sponsored Plan to
27 study and develop methods of instituting a Plan
28 whereby the indigent groups and elderly persons
29 of this province may have available to them Prepaid
30 Medical Care, in keeping with the Statement of

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THAT the New Medical Society, through its

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whereby the indigent groups and others, persons

of this province may have available to them financial



1 Policy of the C. M. A.

2 "THAT should the welfare authorities be in agree-
3 ment and will consider the payment of the premium
4 necessary, this Society is willing to make a
5 definite contribution in order to get a Plan
6 into effect under which Prepaid Medical Care may
7 be made available for Indigent Persons and needy
8 Elderly citizens."

9 33. We should welcome the adoption of standards
10 governing benefit offerings, regulations, and under-
11 writing practices which would enable MHSA to extend
12 coverage to those who currently have difficulty in
13 qualifying for membership under present regulations.
14 Thus an adequate health care program could be made
15 available to every resident regardless of state of
16 health or age.

17 OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

18 34. There is a growing concern to make adequate
19 health care available to all who need it. In this
20 regard much is said about "our rights" - little about our
21 duties and responsibilities. We ought not to forget
22 that in a democratic society like ours there is another
23 kind of "right" - the right to be always primarily
24 responsible for our own keep and that of our families.
25 In our social planning we ought to aim to help the
26 individual, but never to destroy his initiative or his
27 sense of responsibility. It has been said that a
28 democratic government best serves its people when it
29 does for them only those things which they cannot do
30 for themselves. With respect to the needy, it is



1 recognized that there are, and always will be, people
2 of all ages who cannot provide for themselves. . . How-
3 ever, we do not think that it is wise or necessary to
4 implement a compulsory program to meet this problem.

5 35. . . . Rather we feel that in the promotion of
6 existing voluntary organizations there are real ad-
7 vantages to be gained, such as public approval and
8 voluntary participation; savings to Government; medical
9 guidance, flexibility of policies to meet local needs
10 and to permit changes to conform with changes in the
11 healing arts; elimination of duplication of adminis-
12 trative facilities and staffs; efficiency and
13 economy of operation unhampered by political
14 influences or pressures.

15 36. . . . Thus, we believe that Government can best
16 lend its influence in extending health care to the
17 citizens of the Atlantic Provinces by giving its full
18 cooperation, support, and encouragement to the existing
19 voluntary organizations.

20 37.. . . . We believe that MHSA possesses the qualities
21 essential to the successful operation of such a health
22 program not only for those who have and do voluntarily
23 participate, but also for those who are the direct
24 concern of Government. . . It has been shown that:

25 (1) The Association is a coordinating agency on
26 whose Board of Trustees sit representatives of
27 Government, the medical profession, the hospitals,
28 and the subscribers. This is democratic self-
29 help in action.

30 (2) Its non-profit feature permits maximum benefits

recognized that there are, and always will be, people of all ages who cannot provide for themselves. However, we do not think that it is wise or necessary to implement a compulsory program to meet this problem.

35. Rather we feel that in the provision of existing voluntary organizations, there are many advantages to be gained, such as public opinion and voluntary participation; advance to Government; guidance, flexibility of action; and to permit changes to conform with changing conditions; elimination of duplication of effort; attractive facilities and staffs; economy of operation; and influence of pressure.

36. Thus, we believe that the Government should tend its influence in attending to the needs of the Atlantic provinces by having cooperation, support, and encouragement in the

37. We believe that the Government should be essential to the successful operation of the program not only for those who have the ability to participate, but also for those who are the object of concern of Government. It is from within that

(1) The Association is a coordinating agency of whose Board of Trustees. It is representative of Government, the medical profession, the business community, and the public. It is to help in action.



and lowest costs.

(3) Its administration is conservative, sound, and efficiently managed.

(4) Contract benefits keep pace with medical progress and have medical society approval. Evidence of public approval is its enrolment progress which is outstanding in this area. Its present contracts provide various levels of coverage to meet the various needs and desires of the subscribing public; its aim as to coverage for the indigent and marginal risk groups is to provide adequate care for every resident who needs it. We hope that the work of the Commission will so focus attention on this problem as to make possible the early accomplishment of this objective.

(5) It has gained the support and cooperation of the medical profession, the hospital, and business and labor leaders, which have contributed to its success as a service to the community.

38. Thus MHSA has the staff, facilities, finances, ability and capacity to administer and underwrite programs of health care for the community and is willing and prepared to accept this responsibility.

39. In conclusion, we respectfully submit that Government can best serve the public in its quest for an adequate health care program through its cooperation with the existing voluntary prepayment health care programs, and through the purchase by Government of approved coverage for the indigent.

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1 evolve a practical method extending an adequate program
2 of health care to the higher risk group including the
3 elder citizen at a cost within his means. This can best
4 be accomplished by the joining efforts of Government, the
5 medical profession, and MHSA.

6 41. In the establishment of an approved program
7 we submit ~~that~~ the following principles should be
8 recognized.

9 (1) There should be standards governing benefits
10 and operations.

11 (2) Membership should be voluntary and available
12 to every resident regardless of age or
13 state of health.

14 (3) There should be free choice of physician.

15 42. The Executive Committee of the Board of
16 Trustees of MHSA at its meeting held September 30,
17 1961, stated that -

18 "KEEPING IN MIND the foregoing recommen-
19 dations;

20 "KEEPING IN MIND that the number of residents
21 of the Atlantic Provinces who have chosen the
22 voluntary approach to financing medical care
23 through membership in MHSA, Maritime Medical
24 Care, the insurance companies, cooperative
25 societies and self-insured groups is indeed
26 significant;

27 "KEEPING IN MIND that this success has thrown
28 the spotlight of political interest upon such
29 elements as the aged and the indigent who are
30 not able to participate in a voluntary program

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1 on the same terms as their more fortunate
2 neighbors;

3 "KEEPING IN MIND that voluntary prepayment
4 programs have succeeded so well that they
5 have given rise to a growing popular
6 conviction that somehow this protection
7 must be extended to everyone;

8 "KEEPING IN MIND that the members of

9 voluntary medically-sponsored non-profit

10 plans are happy and satisfied with the high
11 quality comprehensive care provided;

12 "BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

13 "THAT this Board reaffirm its belief that
14 adequate care for the self-supporting can
15 best be extended through voluntary means;

16 "THAT MHSA shall be glad to meet with
17 governments and medical societies of the
18 Atlantic Provinces for the purpose of
19 finding a means whereby the indigents and the
20 elder citizens of these provinces may be
21 extended a program of health care as may be
22 deemed adequate by this Commission, the pro-
23 motion of which shall be in the best interests
24 of all concerned."
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of all concerned."



CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

BLUE SHIELD - Comprehensive Sectice Plan #3
SURGICAL, OBSTETRICAL AND MEDICAL CARE

IN THE HOSPITAL, DOCTOR'S OFFICE OR PATIENT'S HOME ...

PAYS PARTICIPATING PHYSICIANS ... "SERVICE BASIS..."

The following contract benefits are provided on a
"service basis when rendered by a participating
physician:

Surgical procedures

Services of assisting surgeon

Mternity

Services of anaesthetist

Consultant services

Treatment of fractures and dislocations

Endoscopic procedures

Medical care in home or doctor's office

Diagnostic x-ray

Laboratory services.

In the event services are rendered by a non-participating doctor, MHSA will pay an amount equal to that which would have been paid to a participating doctor for the same services.

MONTHLY GROUP MEMBERSHIP RATES

Single ... \$3.24

Married ... \$9.00

\$8.40 (Nfld)

Note: Special package program rates are available when this program is sold in conjunction with the Blue Cross supplementary hospital service contract.

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For specimen contract see Exhibit IV(b)



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SURGICAL, OBSTETRICAL AND MEDICAL CARE

The following contract benefits are provided in "service basis when rendered by a participating physician:

Services of assisting surgeon

Services of assistant

Treatment of fracture and dislocation

Endoscopic procedures

Medical care in home or other place

Laboratory services

To the extent services are rendered by a non-participating doctor, BSHS will pay an amount equal to that which would have been paid to a participating doctor for the same services.

Married ... \$10.00

Single ... \$1.24

Note: Special message program rates are available when this program is sold in conjunction with the Blue Cross supplementary hospital services contract.

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CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

BLUE SHEILD - Service In-Hospital Plan #2

SURGICAL, OBSTETRICAL, AND IN-HOSPITAL MEDICAL CARE . . .

PAYS PARTICIPATING PHYSICIANS . . . "SERVICE BASIS..

The following contract benefits are provided on a
"service" basis when rendered by a participating
physician:

Surgican procedures

Services of assistant surgeon

Maternity

Services of anaesthetist

Consultant services

Treatment of fractures and dislocations

Endoscopic procedures

Medical care in hospital

In the event services are rendered by a non-participa-
ting doctor, MHSA will pay an amount equal to that which
would have been paid to a participating doctor for the
same services.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP RATES

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Married</u>
Group	\$1.60	\$4.25
	(Nfld)	\$3.65
Non-Group	\$2.00	\$5.00

For descriptive folder see Exhibit V(a)

For specimen contract see Exhibit V(b)

BLUE SHIELD - Service In-Hospital Plan #2

Participating Physicians

PAYS PARTICIPATING PHYSICIANS . . . "SERVICE BASIS"

The following contract benefits are provided on a "service" basis when rendered by a participating

physician:

Maternity

Services of an anesthesiologist

Consultant services

Treatment of fractures and dislocations

Endoscopic procedures

Medical care in hospital

In the event services are rendered by a non-participating doctor, MSHA will pay an amount equal to that which would have been paid to a participating doctor for the

Group	Single	Married
	\$1.60	\$4.25

For descriptive folder see Exhibit V(a)
For specimen contract see Exhibit V(b)



CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

BLUE SHEILD - Indemnity Plan #1

SURGICAL, OBSTETRICAL, AND IN-HOSPITAL MEDICAL

The following contract benefits are provided and payments are made according to the MHSA \$200 indemnity schedule of fees:

- Surgical procedures
- Services of assistant surgeon
- Maternity benefits
- Services of anaesthetist
- Consultant services
- Treatment of fractures and dislocations
- Endoscopic procedures
- Medical care in hospital

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP RATES

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Married</u>
Group	\$1.40	\$3.60 (Nfld) \$3.00
Non-Group	\$1.75	\$4.25 (Nfld) \$3.60

For descriptive folder see Exhibit VI(a)
For specimen contract see Exhibit VI(b)

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

BLUE SHIELD - Indemnity Plan #1

SURGICAL, OBSTETRICAL, AND IN-HOSPITAL MEDICAL . . .

The following contract benefits are provided and
payments are made according to the MBSA \$200 indemnity
schedule of fees:

Services of assistant surgeon

Services of anesthesiologist

Consultant services

Treatment of fractures and dislocations

Endoscopic procedures

Medical care in hospital

Group		Single	Married
	\$1.40		\$3.60
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For descriptive folder see Exhibit VI(a)
For specimen contract see Exhibit VI(b)



CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

BLUE CROSS - Supplementary Hospital Service

The following contract benefits are provided as supplementary services to the Government Hospital

Insurance Programs:

Semi-Private of Private Room Accommodation: MHSA pays the difference between the hospital's daily charges for semi-private and ward accommodations; in private room accommodations, such difference or \$4 per day, whichever is the greater.

Ancillary Hospital Services - outside the Atlantic Provinces. MHSA will pay an allowance of up to \$150 per admission for additional ancillary services not covered by a Government Hospital Insurance program.

Emergency Out-Patient Hospital Services - Within 48 hours of an accident if not available under the Government Hospital Insurance program.

Elective Surgery, Out-Patient Services - Out-patient hospital service for elective surgery up to \$10, if not available under the Government Hospital Insurance plan.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP RATES

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Married</u>
Group	\$.75	\$1.85
Non-Group	\$1.25	\$2.50

Special package program rates are available when this program is sold in conjunction with Blue Shield Plan #3 - comprehensive service contract.

For specimen contract see Exhibit VII(a)

BLUE CROSS - Supplementary Hospital Service

The following contract benefits are provided as supplementary services to the Government Hospital Insurance Programs:

Semi-Private of Private Room Accommodation: MHSB pays the difference between the hospital's daily charges for semi-private and ward accommodations; in private room accommodations, such difference or \$4 per day, whichever is the greater.

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Emergency Out-Patient Hospital Services - Within 48 hours of an accident is not available under the Government Hospital Insurance Program.

Elective Surgery, Out-Patient Services - Out-patient hospital service for elective surgery up to \$10, if not available under the Government Hospital Insurance Program.

MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP RATES

	Single	Group
Married	\$1.75	\$1.85
	\$1.25	\$2.50

Program is sold in conjunction with Blue Shield Plan #3



CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

EXTENDED HEALTH BENEFITS

Extended Health Plan benefits provide that if, in any calendar year, while coverage is in force, illness expenses incurred by a participant exceed the total allowances under the basic hospital, surgical, medical contracts, and the deductible sum in the contract (generally \$100 per participant), MHSA pays 75 per cent (or (80%) of such excess charges for the provision of the following benefits:

Fees of currently registered graduate nurses.

Services of a qualified physiotherapist.

Charges for drugs and medicines which can be obtained only on a licensed physician's prescription.

Customary charges of physicians when services are rendered outside the Atlantic Provinces.

Hospital charges for private room accommodation.

Artificial appliances, crutches, splints, casts, trusses, braces.

Oxygen and rental of equipment for its administration.

Rental of wheel chair, iron lung, hospital type bed.

Charges for professional ambulance service.

Group membership rates are variable and are dependent upon such factors as the level of basic benefits, the amount of the deductible and co-insurance applicable, and the group's distribution according to age, marital status, sex, and income.

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For specimen contract see Exhibit VIII(b)

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

Extended Health Plan benefits provide that if, in any calendar year, while coverage is in force, illness expenses incurred by a participant exceed the total allowed amount, the participant shall be entitled to a refund of the deductible sum in the contract (generally \$100 per participant), MSHA pays 75 per cent (or (60%) of such excess charges for the provision of the following benefits:

Fees of currently registered graduate nurses.

Services of a qualified physiotherapist.

Charges for drugs and medicines which can be obtained only on a licensed physician's prescription.

Customary charges of physicians when services are rendered outside the Atlantic Provinces.

Hospital charges for private room accommodation.

Oxygen and rental of equipment for its administration.

Rental of wheel chair, iron lung, hospital type bed.

Charges for professional ambulance service.

Group membership rates are variable and are dependent upon such factors as the level of basic benefits, the amount of the deductible and co-insurance applicable, and the group's distribution according to age, marital status, sex, and income.

For descriptive folder see Exhibit VIII(a)



EXHIBIT VIII(b)

MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION
(Hereinafter referred to as the Service Corporation)

GROUP CONTRACT
for
EXTENDED HEALTH BENEFITS

Issued to

(hereinafter referred to as the Company)

IN CONSIDERATION of the statements contained in the application of the Company, the Service Corporation agrees to provide Extended Health Benefits under the terms of this contract for a period of one year beginning at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time, on (hereinafter called the Effective Date) and from year to year hereafter, unless this contract is terminated as provided herein. This contract is subject to the terms and conditions recited on the subsequent pages hereof, which are a part of this contract as fully as if recited herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION has caused this Contract to be signed at this day of 19.....

MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

Secretary-Treasurer

EXHIBIT VIII (P)

MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION
(Hereinafter referred to as the Service Corporation)

Issued to

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION has caused this Contract to be signed at this day of

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MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION

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EXTENDED HEALTH BENEFITS

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS

1. "Subscriber" means any employee of the company who is eligible for coverage for himself and dependents, if any, as hereinafter defined, and who elects coverage as provided in Article 11, Paragraph 2, of this contract.

2. "Dependent" means the Subscriber's spouse, children or legally adopted children, listed on the Subscriber's notice of election or on any supplemental notice received and accepted by the Service Corporation, provided such children or legally adopted children are not married and are under the age of 19 years. Any child or legally adopted child who marries or who attains the age of 19 years shall thereupon cease to be included under the term Dependent.

3. "Participant" means any subscriber, or dependent, as defined herein.

4. "Family Coverage" means a contract by which the Service Corporation agrees to provide contract benefits for a subscriber and his dependents.

5. "Basic Plan" means (a) the individual contract or contracts providing for hospital, surgical and medical benefits issued by the Service Corporation to each Subscriber in the group and (b) the company-recognized health plan in effect in the location where the subscriber is employed.

6. "E.H.B." means Extended Health Benefits.

EXTENDED HEALTH BENEFITS

ARTICLE 1 - DEFINITIONS

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ARTICLE II - ELIGIBILITY, ELECTION, COMMENCEMENT OF
COVERAGE AND CLASSES OF COVERAGE

1. "Eligibility". Every full-time employee of the Company described below shall be eligible to elect coverage for himself and his dependents, if any, if on or after the Effective Date said employees shall have completed the period of employment with the Company set forth opposite his description and is covered under the basic plan.

DESCRIPTION OF EMPLOYEE	PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT REQUISITE TO ELIGIBILITY
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2. "Method of Election and Commencement of Coverage."

- (a) Every eligible employee may elect coverage by signing and filing with the Company notice of such election on a form furnished by the Service Corporation;
- (b) Coverage for all eligible employees who have elected coverage prior to the Effective Date shall commence on the Effective Date;
- (c) Coverage for an employee, who elects on or after the Effective Date but before the expiration of 30 days after he has become eligible, and for his Dependents, where applicable, shall commence on the first of the second month after the date he becomes eligible or the date of filing notice of election, whichever occurs later;
- (d) An employee, who does not elect within the period aforesaid, or a Subscriber, whose coverage terminates for any reason other than termination of employment, may obtain coverage only on approval by the Service Corporation;

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COVERAGE AND CLASSES OF COVERAGE

1. "Eligibility". Every full-time employee of the Company described below shall be eligible to elect coverage for himself and his dependents, if any, on or after the Effective Date and employees shall be covered under the basic plan.

DESCRIPTION OF EMPLOYEE	ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLAN
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2. "Method of Election and Commencement of Coverage".
- (a) Every eligible employee may elect coverage by signing and filing with the Company notice of such election on a form furnished by the Company.
 - (b) Coverage for all eligible employees who have elected coverage prior to the Effective Date shall commence on the Effective Date.
 - (c) Coverage for an employee, who elects on or after the Effective Date but before the expiration of 30 days after he has become eligible, and for on the first of the second month after the date he becomes eligible on the date of filing notice of election, whichever occurs later.
 - (d) An employee, who does not elect within the period allowed, or a dependent, whose coverage terminates for any reason other than termination of employment, may obtain coverage only on



(e) A subscriber who marries after the date coverage for himself commences, shall have a period of 30 days after marriage within which he may elect coverage for his Dependents. Such coverage shall commence on the first of the month preceding the marriage date, unless such date be the first of a month in which case coverage shall commence immediately. If election is made after 30 days but within 60 days of the date of marriage, the Effective Date of family coverage will be the first of the second month following election. If election is made after 60 days, the Effective Date of family coverage will be the next date determined by the Service Corporation for the reopening of the group.

3. "Classes of Coverage."

There shall be the following classes of coverage:

CLASS A Coverage for employees of the Company having individual coverage under the basic plan.

CLASS B Coverage for employees of the Company and their dependents having family coverage under the basic plan. Married women may enrol only for family rate, and may include husband and children.

(e) A subscriber who marries after the date

coverage for himself commences, shall have a

period of 30 days after marriage within which he may

elect coverage for his Dependents. Such coverage

shall commence on the first of the month preceding

the marriage date, unless such date be the first

of a month in which case coverage shall commence

immediately. If election is made after 30 days

but within 60 days of the date of marriage, the

Effective Date of family coverage will be the

first of the second month following election. If

election is made after 60 days, the Effective

Date of family coverage will be the next date

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reopening of the group.

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and may include husband and children.



ARTICLE III - BENEFITS

If in any calendar year while coverage is in force eligible E.H.B. expenses incurred by a Participant resulting from accident sustained or illness contracted during coverage exceed the total allowances, if any, under the basic plan, plus a deductible of \$....., the Service Corporation will make an allowance of % of the amount of such excess.

E.H.B. expenses incurred in excess of the allowances under the basic plan, during the last three months of a calendar year and which have not been used to satisfy a deductible or included as part of a previous claim against the Service Corporation, will be allowed as a reduction of the \$.....deductible in the immediately following calendar year. Subject to ARTICLE XIII, the total allowances hereunder to a Participant shall not exceed a maximum of \$..... during the entire period of coverage of such Participant.

In the event of termination of coverage:

(a) by the Service Corporation giving notice in accordance with ARTICLE XI, Paragraphs 2 and 3, or

(b) by reason of the termination of the Subscriber's regular employment with the Company as a necessary result of illness or injury.

Then, notwithstanding such termination, E. H. B. expenses incurred by such Subscriber during the 12 months following the date thereof shall be included in the calculation of benefits. In such case, if

If in any calendar year while coverage is in

force eligible R.H.B. expenses incurred by a Participant-

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if any, under the basic plan, plus a deductible of

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under the basic plan, during the last three months of

a calendar year and which have not been used to satisfy

a deductible or included as part of a previous claim

against the Service Corporation, will be allowed as a

reduction of the \$..... deductible in the immediately

following calendar year. Subject to ARTICLE XII,

the total allowances hereunder to a Participant shall

not exceed a maximum of \$..... during the entire

period of coverage of such Participant.

In the event of termination of coverage:

(a) by the Service Corporation giving

notice in accordance with ARTICLE XII,

paragraphs 2 and 3, or

(b) by reason of the termination of the

Subscriber's regular employment with the

Company as a necessary result of illness

or injury.

Then, notwithstanding such termination, R. H. B. on

the termination of coverage, shall be entitled to

the same benefits as if the termination had occurred

in the calendar year of termination. In such case, the



1 coverage under the basic plan is not continued after
2 termination of coverage hereunder, the liability of the
3 Service Corporation hereunder in respect of the year
4 following such termination shall not be greater than if
5 such coverage had continued in force.

6 When a Participant has been under treatment,
7 has received medical advice or has undergone diagnosis
8 for any condition, disease or ailment within the
9 three months prior to the commencement of coverage,
10 E.H.B. expenses for the same or a related condition,
11 disease or ailment shall not be included in the
12 calculation of benefits unless incurred after an
13 interval of three months (established by medical
14 certificates) shall have been completed during which
15 such Participant shall not have received medical
16 treatment or medical advice for the same or related
17 condition, disease or ailment.

18 The Service Corporation's liability with
19 respect to E.H.B. expenses resulting from any par-
20 ticular accident or illness shall cease upon the
21 expiration of five years after the date of such acci-
22 dent or the commencement of such illness.

23 When a Subscriber and more than two of his
24 Dependents or more than three Dependents of the same
25 subscriber incur E.H.B. expenses during any calendar
26 year, the aggregate deductible in respect of such year
27 shall not exceed \$.....

28 When a common accident occurs to a Subscriber
29 and one or more of his Dependents or to two or more
30 Dependents of the same Subscriber, the sum of \$.....



coverage under the basic plan is not continued after termination of coverage hereunder, the liability of the Service Corporation hereunder in respect of the year following such termination shall not be greater than if such coverage had continued in force.

When a Participant has been under treatment, has received medical advice or has undergone diagnosis for any condition, disease or ailment within the three months prior to the commencement of coverage, E.H.B. expenses for the same or a related condition, disease or ailment shall not be included in the calculation of benefits unless incurred after an interval of three months (established by medical certificates) shall have been completed during which such Participant shall not have received medical treatment or medical advice for the same or related condition, disease or ailment.

The Service Corporation's liability with respect to E.H.B. expenses resulting from any particular accident or illness shall cease upon the expiration of five years after the date of such accident or the commencement of such illness.

When a Subscriber and more than two of his Dependents or more than three Dependents of the same year, the aggregate deductible in respect of such year shall not exceed \$.....

When a common accident occurs to a Subscriber

and one or more of his Dependents or to two or more Dependents of the same Subscriber, the sum of \$



shall be deducted once only for all such Participants so injured.

E.H.B. expenses shall be deemed to have been incurred on the date on which the services are rendered or the articles are supplied.

The Service Corporation may at its option pay the amount of its allowances to the Subscriber or to the hospital, doctor, nurse or other renderer of service or supplier of articles covered hereunder.

The term "E.H.B. expenses" shall mean the following fees or charges for services rendered or articles supplied by or on the recommendation of a legally qualified physician or surgeon:

1. Charges of a legally constituted hospital for room (and not for a suite of more than one room), board and routine nursing service, but limited to a daily maximum equal to TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$25.00) less the corresponding allowance under the basic plan.

NOTE: Hospital charges to the level of ward services including all charges for ancillary services are excluded under this section.

2. Fees of registered nurses provided the nurse is not an employee of the hospital, resident at the patient's home, or related to any of the Participant's family.

3. Charges for blood and blood plasma; drugs and medicines that can be obtained only on a licensed physician's prescription, prosthetic appliances,

shall be deducted once only for all such Participants as injured.

E.H.B. expenses shall be deemed to have been incurred on the date on which the services are rendered or the articles are supplied.

The Service Corporation may at its option pay the amount of its allowances to the Subscriber or to the hospital, doctor, nurse or other provider of service or supplier of articles covered hereunder.

Following fees or charges for services rendered or articles supplied by or on the recommendation of a legally qualified physician or surgeon:

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1 crutches, splints, casts, trusses, braces, oxygen
2 and rental of equipment for the administration there-
3 of, rental of wheel chair, iron lung, hospital type
4 bed.

5 4. Charges for professional ambulance service
6 to the nearest hospital able to provide the type of
7 care essential for the patient and which in the
8 opinion of the Service Corporation is justified.

9 5. When and where applicable, customary charges of
10 physicians and surgeons for basic contract services
11 rendered in the Service Corporation area, when the
12 charges exceed the allowances provided for such ser-
13 vices under the basic plan, to a single subscriber
14 whose income is in excess of Six Thousand Dollars
15 (\$6,000) and for services rendered a participant
16 covered under a family contract when the sub-
17 scriber's income together with that of his Depart-
18 ment is in excess of Eight Thousand Five Hundred
19 Dollars (\$8,500).

20 6. Out of Area Benefits Customary charges of physi-
21 cians and surgeons for services rendered an eligible
22 participant, only while travelling outside the
23 area served by this Service Corporation.

24 If a member is entitled under any other group
25 insurance plan to compensation for expenses of the
26 same nature as those covered under this Contract, the
27 amount of compensation payable under such plan will be
28 deducted from the E.H.B. expenses.

29 ARTICLE IV - EXCLUSIONS

30 No Participant shall be entitled to benefits in



respect of the following:

1. No benefits shall be available to the subscriber or his dependents if he is entitled to receive benefits or compensation, under any law providing Workmen's Compensation benefits or any other agency or department of the government of Canada or any province thereof or municipal corporation therein, regardless of whether or not the subscriber has or has not contributed towards providing himself or his dependents with such benefits.
2. Conditions arising out of and during pregnancy except as to E.H.B. expenses incurred during a period of hospital confinement of the wife covered under "Class B" for intra-abdominal surgical procedures, pernicious vomiting or toxemia of pregnancy.
3. Dental treatment except when, as the result of an accident, natural teeth have been damaged or fractured or dislocated jaw requires setting and then only if such dental treatment is rendered within ninety days from the date of the accident.
4. Cosmetic or plastic surgery unless necessitated by accidental injuries sustained during coverage.
5. Eye refractions, hearing aids and examinations for the prescription or fitting thereof.
6. Medical care in government hospital or by a physician or surgeon employed by the government in such hospital unless a charge is customarily made by such hospital or by such physician or surgeon.
7. Mental disorders including functional nervous disorders as to E.H.B. expenses incurred while the

cost of the following:

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2. Conditions arising out of and during pregnancy except as to E.H.B. expenses incurred during a period of hospital confinement of the wife covered under "Class B" for intra-abdominal surgical procedures, hernia, vomiting or trauma of pregnancy.
3. Dental treatment except when as the result of an accident, natural teeth have been damaged or fractured or dislocated, jaw requires setting and then only if such dental treatment is rendered within ninety days from the date of the accident.
4. Cosmetic or plastic surgery unless necessitated by accidental injuries sustained during coverage.
5. Eye refractions, wearing aids and examinations for the prescription or fitting thereof.
6. Medical care in government hospital or by a physician or surgeon employed by the government in such hospital unless a charge is customarily made by such hospital or by such physician or surgeon.
7. Mental disorders involving functional nervous



Participant is a registered (admitted) bed patient, under the care of a qualified psychiatrist, while receiving continuous day and night care in a public general hospital not specializing in, but equipped to provide treatment for mental disorders or diseases.

8. Alcoholism and/or drug addiction.

9. Congenital anomalies unless such anomalies occur in a child born whilst the mother is covered under "Class B".

10. Accident or illness occurring outside the limits of Canada, the United States of America, the West Indies, the United Kingdom, Eire, or the Continent of Europe unless the Participant is travelling by ferry or steamer or regularly scheduled airline plying between ports within said boundaries.

11. Injury resulting from suicide or attempt thereat, whether sane or insane.

12. Mileage to medical doctor rendering the service.

13. Hospital services to which a Participant is entitled to receive without charge under any provincial hospital legislation or that are paid for under such legislation.

ARTICLE V - NOTICES AND CLAIMS

The Service Corporation shall be liable under this Contract only provided a notice has been given and a claim has been filed in accordance with the requirements of the basic plan.



1 ARTICLE VI - INFORMATION

2 As a condition precedent to the providing
3 of benefits ~~under this~~ Contract, the Service Corporation
4 shall be entitled to receive from any physician, sur-
5 geon, nurse or hospital, or other party having made a
6 diagnosis for, treated, attended, or rendered service
7 to any Participant, or in possession of any information
8 or records relating thereto, such information and
9 records or copies of records as it may require in the
10 administration of claims arising under this Contract.

11 ARTICLE VII - WAIVER OF LIABILITY

12 As a condition precedent to the providing of
13 benefits hereunder, the Service Corporation shall be
14 held free of any liability for any act or omission of
15 any hospital, doctor or other person rendering any of
16 the services hereunder provided.

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18 ARTICLE VIII - RIGHTS NOT ASSIGNABLE

19 The rights of Participants under this Contract
20 are not assignable and no assignment by a Participant
21 whether (a) of the right to benefits hereunder or (b)
22 of the right to payment of an allowance hereunder
23 shall be binding upon the Service Corporation.

24 The coverage of a Subscriber and his Depen-
25 dents shall terminate automatically if such Subscriber
26 or any of his Dependents should aid any person in
27 obtaining or attempting to obtain by false pretenses any
28 benefits hereunder and the Service Corporation shall be
29 immediately relieved of all liability for E.H.B. ex-
30 penses incurred after the date of such termination.

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The rights of Participants under this Contract are not assignable and no assignment by a Participant whether (a) of the right to benefits hereunder or (b) of the right to payment of an allowance hereunder shall be binding upon the Service Corporation.

Benefits shall terminate automatically if such Subscriber or any of his Dependents should aid any person in obtaining or attempting to obtain by false pretenses any benefits hereunder and the Service Corporation shall be immediately relieved of all liability for B.H.P. ex-

penses incurred after the date of such termination.



ARTICLE IX - CHARGES

1. The Company will pay to the Service Corporation for each Subscriber the following amounts per month for Subscribers covered under CLASS A - \$ _____ -- for subscribers covered under CLASS B - \$ _____ .

2. The subscription rates for any contract year, beginning on each anniversary of the Effective Date, may be changed by the Service Corporation by giving written notice of such change to the Company at least 60 days prior to the commencement of such contract year.

3. Membership fees are payable monthly in advance. The initial payment under this Contract is due on or before the Effective Date and the succeeding payments shall be due thereafter on the 25th of each month.

ARTICLE X - PERSONNEL RECORDS

1. The Company shall furnish to the Service Corporation during the period of this Contract such information as may reasonably be required by the Service Corporation for purposes of this contract.

2. The Company shall make available to the Service Corporation for inspection by it such payroll and other personnel records as shall have a bearing on enrolment of eligible employees and Dependents under this Contract.

ARTICLE XI - TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT

1. Upon default in payment of charges, in accordance with the terms of ARTICLE IX, this Contract shall terminate automatically.

ARTICLE IX - CHARGES

1. The Company will pay to the Service Corporation for each Subscriber the following amounts per month for subscribers covered under CLASS A - \$ _____ for subscribers covered under CLASS B - \$ _____

beginning on each anniversary of the Effective Date, may be changed by the Service Corporation by giving written notice of such change to the Company at least 60 days prior to the commencement of such contract year.

3. Membership fees are payable monthly in advance. The initial payment under this Contract is due on or before the Effective Date and the succeeding payments shall be due thereafter on the 1st of each month.

ARTICLE X - PERSONNEL RECORDS

1. The Company shall transfer to the Service Corporation during the period of this Contract such information as may reasonably be required by the Service Corporation for purposes of this contract.

2. The Company shall make available to the Service Corporation for inspection by its duly authorized personnel records as shall have a bearing on enrollment of eligible employees and Dependents.

ARTICLE XI - TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT

1. Upon default in payment of charges, in accordance with the terms of ARTICLE IX, this Contract shall terminate.



2. This Contract may be terminated by the Company or the Service Corporation on any anniversary of the Effective Date by giving at least 30 days' prior notice to the other.

3. If at any time within a contract year the number of employees covered under this Contract shall be less than 25 or less than 75 per cent of the eligible employees, or if less than 75 per cent of the employees with Dependents eligible to become covered under this Contract elect and maintain coverage for such Dependents under this Contract, the Service Corporation shall have the right to terminate this Contract as of the first of any month by giving 30 days' prior written notice to the Company.

4. If the coverage provided by this Contract be replaced by the Company or otherwise in whole or in part by some other arrangement, this Contract shall be automatically terminated as of the date to which the charges have been paid, and the Service Corporation shall be immediately relieved of all liability for E.H.B. expenses incurred after the date of such termination.

ARTICLE XII - TERMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL COVERAGE

1. The coverage of every Participant hereunder shall terminate automatically on the termination of this Contract or of coverage under the basic plan.

2. The coverage hereunder respecting any Subscriber and his Dependents, if any, shall terminate automatically on the termination of such Subscriber's regular employment with the Company.



2. This Contract may be terminated by the

Company or the Service Corporation on any anniversary of the Effective Date by giving at least 30 days' prior notice to the other.

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be less than 25 or less than 75 per cent of the eligible employees, or if less than 75 per cent of the employees

with Dependents eligible to become covered under this

Contract elect and maintain coverage for such Depen-

dents under this Contract, the Service Corporation shall

have the right to terminate this Contract as of the

first of any month by giving 30 days' prior written

notice to the Company.

4. If the coverage provided by this Contract is

replaced by the Company or otherwise in whole or in

part by some other arrangement, this Contract shall be

automatically terminated as of the date to which the

charges have been paid, and the Service Corporation

shall be immediately relieved of all liability for

A.R.B. expenses incurred after the date of such

termination.

ARTICLE XII - TERMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL COVERAGE

1. The coverage of every Participant hereunder

shall terminate automatically on the termination of

this Contract or on coverage under the basic plan.

2. The coverage hereunder respecting any

Subscriber and his Dependents, if any, shall terminate

automatically on the termination of such Subscriber's



1 3. The coverage of a Dependent spouse shall
2 terminate automatically upon divorce or legal separa-
3 tion from the Subscriber or annulment of the marriage.

4 4. The coverage of a Dependent child shall
5 terminate automatically upon such child attaining the
6 age of 19 years or marrying, whichever even shall
7 first occur.

8 5. The coverage of any Participant shall termin-
9 ate automatically when benefits totalling the maximum
10 allowance shall have become payable hereunder in
11 respect of E.H.B. expenses incurred by such Participant,
12 but if such Participant is a Subscriber, coverage for
13 his Dependents shall not be affected and may continue,
14 subject to payment of "Class B" rates, until terminated
15 in accordance with the provisions hereof.

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17 ARTICLE XIII - REINSTATEMENT OF MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE

18 A Participant, after recovery from a dis-
19 ability on which a claim has been paid, may apply for
20 reinstatement of the full maximum allowance as soon as
21 such Participant has received \$1,000 or more in benefits
22 and can submit evidence of good health satisfactory
23 to the Service Corporation.

24 ARTICLE XIV - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

25 1. This Contract shall not become effective
26 unless not less than 75 per cent of all employees or
27 not less than 75 per cent of any class or classes of
28 employees, determined by conditions pertaining to their
29 employment, have elected to be covered under the terms
30 of this Agreement.



3. The coverage of a Dependent spouse shall terminate automatically upon divorce or legal separation from the Subscriber or annulment of the marriage.

4. The coverage of a Dependent child shall terminate automatically upon such child attaining the age of 19 years or marrying, whichever event shall

5. The coverage of any Participant shall terminate automatically when benefits totalling the maximum allowance shall have become payable hereunder in respect of E.H.B. expenses incurred by such Participant but if such Participant is a Subscriber, coverage for his Dependents shall not be affected and may continue, subject to payment of "Class B" rates, until terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof.

ARTICLE XIII - REINSTATEMENT OF MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE

A Participant, after recovery from a disability on which a claim has been paid, may apply for reinstatement of the full maximum allowance as soon as such Participant has received \$1,000 or more in benefits and can submit evidence of good health satisfactory to the Service Corporation.

This Contract shall not become effective unless not less than 75 per cent of all employees or not less than 75 per cent of any class or classes of employees, determined by conditions pertaining to their employment, have elected to be covered under the terms of this Agreement.



1 2. Any notice given hereunder shall be sufficient,
2 if given by the Service Corporation to the Company, when
3 mailed to the Company at its address as it appears on
4 the records of the Service Corporation; if given by the
5 Company to the Service Corporation, when mailed to the
6 Service Corporation at its principal office in Moncton,
7 New Brunswick.

8 3. This Contract and the application constitute
9 the entire Contract and the statements made in said
10 applicati ns shall be considered representations and
11 not warranties; no statement shall be used as a defense
12 of any claim hereunder unless it is contained in this
13 Contract or in the said application. No agent or repre-
14 sentative of the Service Corporation other than a duly
15 authorized officer is authorized to change this Con-
16 tract or waive any of its provisions. All sums payable
17 by the Service Corporation hereunder shall be payable
18 at its principal office.

19 4. No action at law or in equity shall be
20 brought against the Service Corporation for any claim
21 hereunder unless brought within one year from the date
22 the E.H.B. expenses were incurred.

23 5. The Service Corporation shall furnish, and the
24 Company agrees to issue, certificates of enrolment to
25 each Subscriber covered under the Contract.

26 6. As a condition precedent to the providing of
27 benefits, the Service Corporation may require a transfer
28 to the extent of the amount payable hereunder by the
29 Service Corporation of the rights of the Participant
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mailed to the Company at its address as it appears on the records of the Service Corporation; if given by the Company to the Service Corporation, when mailed to the Service Corporation at its principal office in Montreal, New Brunswick.

3. This Contract and the application constitute the entire Contract and the statements made in said application shall be considered representations and not warranties; no statement shall be used as a defense of any claim hereunder unless it is contained in this Contract or in the said application. No agent or representative of the Service Corporation other than a duly authorized officer is authorized to change this Contract or waive any of its provisions. All sums payable by the Service Corporation hereunder shall be payable at its principal office.

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MARITIME HOSPITAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION
Membership as at June 30, 1961

Exhibit IX

By Province

	N. B.	N. S.	P. E. I.	Nfld	Total
Population	606,000	728,000	105,000	466,000*	1,905,000
Blue Shield	148,023	24,325	11,793	17,683*	201,824
% Pop. enrolled	24.43%	3.34%	11.23%	3.79%*	10.59%
Blue Cross	130,137	115,443	11,131	14,383*	271,094
% Pop. enrolled	21.47%	15.86%	10.60%	3.09%*	14.23%

*At the request of the Dept of Health, Nfld, Association membership in that province is extended only to residents of St. John's, Grand Falls, and Corner Brook. The percentage of potential enrolment in Nfld, therefore, is a higher figure than is indicated here.

By Class of Coverage

	Group	Non-Group	Total
Number of Subscribers:			
Blue Shield - Plan #3	21,925		21,925
Blue Shield - Plan #2	7,772	780	8,552
Blue Shield - Plan #1	27,252	11,153	38,405
Blue Cross	77,194	17,734	94,928
Extended Health Benefits	3,881		3,881
Number of Dependents:			
Blue Shield - Plan #3	48,618		48,618
Blue Shield - Plan #2	15,808	1,376	17,184
Blue Shield - Plan #1	51,781	15,359	67,140
Blue Cross	153,905	22,261	176,166
Extended Health Benefits	7,490		7,490
Total Participating Members:			
Blue Shield - Plan #3	70,543		70,543
Blue Shield - Plan #2	23,580	2,156	25,736
Blue Shield - Plan #1	79,033	26,512	105,545
Blue Shield Total	173,156	28,668	201,824
Blue Cross Total	231,099	39,995	271,094
Extended Health Benefits Total	11,371		11,371

Note: Blue Shield plans refer to surgical, obstetrical, medical coverage.
Blue Cross plan refers to hospital care.

Membership as of June 30, 1961

	N. 8.	N. 2.	P. E. I.	Nfld.	Total
Population	602,000	728,000	102,000	462,000*	1,902,000
Blue Shield	148,023	24,322	11,793	12,682*	207,824
Blue Cross	130,132	112,443	11,121	14,383*	371,094

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By Class of Coverage

Number of Subscribers					
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Blue Shield - Plan #2		27,282	11,123		38,405
Blue Shield - Plan #1					
Blue Cross	77,194		17,784		94,978
Extended Health Benefits	3,981				3,981
Number of Dependents					
Blue Shield - Plan #3	45,618				45,618
Blue Shield - Plan #2	12,808	1,376			14,184
Blue Shield - Plan #1	21,741	12,352			34,093
Blue Cross	123,702		22,261		145,963
Extended Health Benefits	7,420				7,420
Total Participating Members					
Blue Shield - Plan #3	70,540				70,540
Blue Shield - Plan #2	23,280	2,756			26,036
Blue Shield - Plan #1	29,033	24,712			53,745
Blue Shield Total	122,853	27,468			150,321
Blue Cross Total	231,094		39,985		271,079
Extended Health Benefits Total	11,401				11,401

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(ACCRUAL BASIS)

A S S E T S

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash in Bank
Investments - at cost
Cash on Deposit
Bonds (Par Value \$4,506,853.71
approximate market value
\$4,287,573.71)
Stocks (Approximate market value
\$110,100.00)
Accounts Receivable - Subscribers
- Others
Accrued Investment Income
Deferred Charges
Inventories of Supplies - at cost
Prepaid Expenses

482,401.39

2,390.29

4,423,328.91

114,435.74 4,540,154.94
114,643.50
11,865.06

16,538.56
3,852.37

FIXED ASSETS

Land
Paving
Buildings
Furniture and Equipment

21,798.56
4,408.00
270,804.15
129,158.98
426,169.69
132,090.69

LESS - Accumulated Depreciation

294,079.00

L I A B I L I T I E S

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Outstanding Cheques
Hospitalization Claims Payable and Accrued
Claims Received
Provision for Claims not received
Surgical and Medical Claims payable
and Claims received
Provision for Claims not received
Prepaid Subscriber Dues
Accounts Payable and Accrued (Operating)

231,194.36

213,137.69

723,125.94
69,716.17
38,100.00 1,275,274.16

DEFERRED REVENUE

Unearned Subscriber Dues
Hospitalization
Surgical and Medical

111,945.43
169,243.94 281,189.37

OTHER LIABILITIES

Provision for Mutualization - National Contracts

1,084,903.71

SURPLUS

Balance - January 1, 1960
ADD - Excess of Income over Expenses
for the year ended
December 31, 1960

2,098,602.12

736,015.70

- Over-provision for claims
accrued in prior years

81,262.73 817,278.43
2,915,880.55

DEDUCT - Under-provision for Mutualization
of National Contracts in prior
years

35,642.17 2,880,238.38

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AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the above Balance Sheet of Maritime Hospital Service Association as at December 31, 1960 and the Statement of Plan Income for the year ended on that date. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the above Balance Sheet and Statement of Plan Income present fairly the financial position of the Association as at December 31, 1960 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Moncton, New Brunswick,
February 10, 1961.

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THE CHAIRMAN: The submission on behalf of the Maritime Hospital Service Association will be Exhibit No. 38, and the supplementary statement read this morning by Mr. Flood will be 38A.

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"We are willing to administer their membership at cost".

Could you explain what you mean by willing to administer at cost?

MR. DOYLE: Mr. Chairman, at cost of course, will be based on the type of contract or agreement that may be developed between the association, the medical profession, and the government. For example, if that type of contract is on a pure cost-plus basis, there would be no such factors in the administration costs as risk factors, reserves, and the like. There would be no enrolment expense. It would be an automatic listing



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3 the claims and sending out the cheques.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: That is that you
5 would be a disbursing agent for the government?

6 MR. DOYLE: For that particular
7 group.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: And you would charge
9 only the administrative costs?

10 MR. DOYLE: That is right.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: And I believe you have
12 stated in your brief that the administration costs amount
13 to 10.2 per cent of the total revenue from subscribers,
14 is that correct?

15 MR. DOYLE: That is right, sir.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Are you able to tell
17 us what portion, if any, of that 10.2 per cent is devoted
18 to promotion?

19 MR. DOYLE: I would have to make a
20 guess on that, and I prefer not to guess and use approx-
21 imate figures. I would be glad to try to work that out
22 and see that it is supplied to the Commission in a
23 supplementary statement.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: Would it also be
25 possible for you to give a breakdown of the 10.2 per cent,
26 that is, itemized under different types of expenditures?

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4 to the brief, it makes reference in the liabilities
5 column to provision for mutualization-national contracts.
6 Would you explain to the members of the Commission what
7 is meant by that entry?

8 MR. DOYLE: In the enrolment of a
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13 involved in the mutualization of a contract is mutualiza-
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16 called profit, or excessive income, and there was a loss
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18 Ontario its losses, so these are the estimated expenditures,
19 the expenses which this plan might incur in the enrol -
20 ment of national and joint with other plans across the
21 country.

22 THE CHAIRMAN: You have such
23 accounts enrolled at the present time, do you?

24 MR. DOYLE: We do, sir.

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26 your submission that you have the amount of \$2,224,923.00
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6 THE CHAIRMAN: And do you have a
7 regular amount each year that you set aside for that
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9 MR. DOYLE: We hope to set aside an
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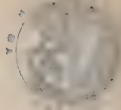
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22 THE CHAIRMAN: You did mention that
23 you were in a competition field?

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25 THE CHAIRMAN: And it would be fair
26 to say, I believe, Mr. Doyle, that there are commercial
27 carriers of the mutual type that provide much the same
28 service as you do, or could provide it?

29 MR. DOYLE: I am afraid I cannot
30 agree with you if you are speaking of our service type

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THE CHAIRMAN: And it would be fair to say, I believe, Mr. Doyle, that there are commercial carriers of the mutual type that provide much the same service as you do, or could provide it?

MR. DOYLE: I am afraid I cannot agree with you if you are speaking of our service type



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3 probably work with us very closely.

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8 else?

9 DR. MacDOUGALL: The answer is yes.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: For the reasons that
11 Mr. Doyle has stated?

12 DR. MacDOUGALL: Yes.

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5 your over-all principle?

6 MR. DOYLE: I am not too sure of
7 what you mean by "selected risk".

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Those above a certain
9 age; those below a certain age?

10 MR. DOYLE: Well, to a point: for
11 example, we will go into a firm and if there are twenty-
12 five or a hundred and twenty-five, it doesn't make any
13 difference ----

14 THE CHAIRMAN: All right. I am
15 going to exclude your groups for the moment. That is one
16 of your primary contract areas -- group areas?

17 MR. DOYLE: Yes.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: And in those you
19 take all within the group?

20 MR. DOYLE: Group risk.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, and you carry
22 them on after they cease employment?

23 MR. DOYLE: That is right.

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4 of the community might not be able to pay that equalized
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6 premiums of those unable to pay would be paid?

7 MR. DOYLE: I think for those who
8 can't support themselves and are unable to pay, they
9 should be the burden of the community, and speaking of
10 the community, that is government. Therein lies govern-
11 ment responsibility to these people who are unable to
12 support themselves. We have them in every form and many
13 forms: community chests and many forms of help for the
14 so-called indigent, and we think the government should
15 pick up the tab for that particular segment of the
16 population.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: How would you identify
18 those?

19 MR. DOYLE: I think probably there
20 is only one way of identifying them. First of all, I
21 think there are degrees of indigency, and there are
22 different types. There are those who are chronically
23 indigent and those who are indigent because of an acute
24 catastrophe at the moment, and there are those who become
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premium, have you any suggestion to make as to how the

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should be the burden of the community, and speaking of

the community, that is government. Therein lies govern-

ment responsibility to those people who are unable to

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8 available, we don't think that is very practicable because
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11 salary is not an equitable thing because two people
12 making the same salary do not have the same obligations.
13 The real income of the two may be very different.
14 Therefore, you must know the circumstances at the local
15 level, and I think the only way to handle that is a means
16 test.

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2 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Mr. Flood

3 and gentlemen, I have not read before a clearer exposition
4 of the non-profit in medical care and hospital benefits
5 organizations, and I pay you that compliment because
6 you have enlightened me personally a great deal. We have
7 heard already that your board of trustees is composed of
8 twenty-eight members, and there are nine who are medical
9 men, and I note on page 5, paragraph 15, your generous
10 praise for the assistance and co-operation by the medical
11 profession, and it follows through to numbers 1, 2, 3,
12 4, and 5, and to the following page, which I shall not
13 read, and I presume that this is a question which is
14 voiced by the non-medical chairman of the trustees as
15 the majority opinion of the contributions made.

16 My question is going to be directed
17 in this way, and you may answer it if you care to, or
18 not answer it at all. I direct it to you because you
19 are experienced lay people in medical care services. My
20 question will deal briefly, I hope, with the matter of
21 doctors setting their own tariffs and doctors setting
22 their own standards of quality. Sometimes there is
23 praise and sometimes there is criticism. More directly,
24 are doctors the most competent and reliable people to
25 set the quality and standards of medical practice, and
26 if you want me to make it a little clearer, please ask
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3 words, it is their duty, responsibility, and they are
4 to be depended upon?

5 MR. FLOOD: Yes, they must police
6 and regulate their own profession. We can't regulate it.

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8 words, in answer to the same question, might it be that
9 lay groups alone could not be as good a judge or better
10 judge?

11 MR. FLOOD: The doctors alone, you
12 mean?

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14 people -- the committees, the groups alone could not be
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4 papers, and sometimes questions by people as to who is in
5 the best position to judge the quality and the standards.

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7 of that in our mind whatsoever.

8 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: Thank you for
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20 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: That,
21 gentlemen, answers my questions. Thank you.

22 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman,
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10 name going on the list should stay for anything like a
11 year. I think it is a matter that should be reviewed
12 every month, probably, because the circumstances will
13 change very rapidly; he is employed today, he is working
14 tomorrow, he has an income.

15 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: How would
16 you contend with the individual who felt an injustice
17 was being put on him because his neighbour is in the
18 indigent class and he is possibly living in a better home,
19 driving a better car than the one who is self-supporting?

20 MR. DOYLE: Well, sir, I think one
21 of the things you would have to take into consideration,
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24 job, and I don't think if you had a situation as you
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5 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: You mentioned
6 community chest. Do you suggest that government should
7 take over all community chests?

8 MR. DOYLE: No. I gave it as an
9 example of there being a need to help those who need
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2 turning to page 6 of your brief, paragraph 4, you say:

3 "That^{the} medical profession has manifested a
4 keen interest in maintaining a high standard
5 of medical care. For example, the societies
6 have taken the position that payments for x-ray
7 services be made only to qualified radiologists;
8 that payments for electrocardiograms be made
9 only to specialists in internal medicine,"

10 and so on. Turning to the chart which was submitted in
11 the government brief this morning, and looking at
12 hospital regions, I find that there is one region not
13 too far from Fredericton, according to the map, in which
14 there are no specialists and radiologists. In internal
15 medicine there are four out of the eight regions in
16 which there are no specialists now. What does the
17 statement mean in those circumstances? What happens to
18 the people in those regions?

19 DR. MacDOUGALL: Mr. Chairman, first
20 of all, somebody outside of the province looking at a
21 map would not necessarily get a picture reflecting what
22 happens in medicine in this area. For example, you
23 might not be familiar with the fact that while you may
24 not have a x-ray radiologist, say, thirty miles from
25 Fredericton, they do have the benefit of the service of
26 a radiologist going out from Fredericton.

27 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Frequently?

28 DR. MacDOUGALL: Yes, and they have
29 this around the province, and while there may not be one
30 living in that area, they do have the services of a



1 radiologist.

2 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Let's take
3 internal medicine where the hospital hasn't a specialist.

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12 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Do I
13 understand that the general practitioner who has long
14 years in practice cannot take his own x-ray and his own
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16 read the plates?

17 DR. MacDOUGALL: They are not paid.

18 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Leaving
19 out your group coverage, I am an individual, how do I
20 become enroled in your system, assuming that I don't
21 walk into your office, and my experience in the insurance
22 business is that people don't walk into the office.

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11 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Much like
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13 I would like to turn to section 4 (b).

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18 MR. DOYLE: That is right.

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22 MR. DOYLE: Yes, for services in
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14 MR. DOYLE: We can supply that. We
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16 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Thank you
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22 exist at the time of enrolment?

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5 established as a pre-existing condition.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Including mental
7 illness?

8 MR. DOYLE: Yes.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: And the contract
10 which Commissioner McCutcheon was referring to contains
11 a termination of rights to benefits clause, that is
12 Article XXI. That gives your company, does it not,
13 your association, the right to terminate the contract
14 on one callendar month's prior notice?

15 MR. DOYLE: In practice we have
16 never terminated a membership. But, this is designed
17 to allow us to terminate a contract. For example, we
18 might have had a contract in operation and five years
19 from now we may want to change this contract and improve
20 it, and so on, and we would write to our subscribers
21 and say, this contract is being cancelled but you are
22 offered membership in the new contract. This permits
23 us to terminate the contract as a contract, but he
24 retains his membership in the plan.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Can you point out
26 anything to me in 4(b) which shows that?

27 MR. DOYLE: That is our practice,
28 sir.

29 THE CHAIRMAN: No, but in the
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7 bined type (i.e. providing both in-patient and out-
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9 services) would be required for the province.

10 3. Inasmuch as the great majority of the
11 mentally ill can be treated in the community and
12 returned to their homes, the role of the mental hos-
13 pitals is seen as one of diminishing importance. Just
14 what their final role should be is a question that
15 must remain for the time being unanswered. It is
16 generally accepted that the widespread adoption of
17 active psychiatric treatment in the manner suggested
18 above will greatly reduce the mental hospitals' popu-
19 lation of chronic cases, but it will be some years
20 before there is general agreement about the number of
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22 patient care. We consider that the problem of the
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24 problem of the chronically ill in general, and we
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6 between mental illness and organic illness under the
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9 to differentiate the two is most undesirable, that as
10 long as this separation of the two types of illness
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12 difficulties in staffing and in getting the patients
13 well.

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16 plan to take care of illness that it should cover all
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20 ask one other question: are there, in fact, any
21 psychiatric patients treated in general hospitals in
22 New Brunswick today?

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24 hospitals with psychiatric units: in Moncton, and the
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4 hospital he is covered, and if he goes into the mental
5 institution ----

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8 one question, and I hope it is a fair one. However, it
9 is true, and you have substantiated what we have heard
10 before, that there is a decline in the size and the
11 occupancy of mental hospitals, and one wonders what is
12 the main contributing factor. Is the decline a very
13 noticeable one to the extent you could even say that
14 ultimately you want these hospitals entirely removed and
15 there will be no use for them? Is it because there is
16 a greater availability of personnel, psychiatric per-
17 sonnel, or what part has the introduction of the new
18 drugs, especially the ataraxics and analeptics, and the
19 others currently used, contributed to this new revolution-
20 ary phase in this new psychiatric treatment of patients?
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22 personnel then we had a dozen years ago, or is it because
23 we have so much more in the way of medication for a
24 good many of these remedial conditions?

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6 to a psychiatric bed in a general hospital, and those
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8 that we have had to commit to the mental hospital a very
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10 from the so-called psychotic illnesses ^{they} do seem to be
11 able to get through these episodes in the community and
12 sooner or later return to some kind of productive life
13 albeit perhaps in a sheltered setting. I am afraid I
14 can't offer you any statistical evidence of this. I
15 think it is the kind of thing that is being compiled at
16 the moment but has not reached the publication stage.
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18 admitted to the mental hospital are lingering on there
19 and are not getting out into society. In saying this
20 we are not criticising the medical techniques used in
21 the mental hospitals. The psychiatrists there, I am
22 sure, are just as skillful, and they have access to the
23 same drugs and physical forms of treatment and we feel
24 it is something to do with the patient's physical
25 environment in the course of his illness. We don't
26 know quite why or how this works, but we do know that
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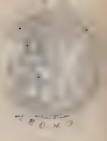
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4 it is put that it is not a very good one, if I may put it
5 mildly. Do you visualize the operation of hospitals as they
6 now exist being possible without full-time, doctors being
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9 among ourselves at great length, and we were not able to
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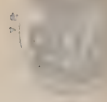
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4 have more research in dental schools with grants paying
5 the costs of this research would be of inestimable value
6 to the people of Canada. Discoveries such as fluoridation
7 were only possible with extensive research facilities.

8 15. Man Power: We have never been so
9 fortunate with the facilities to teach dentistry than at
10 the present time. We have new dental buildings in all six
11 dental faculties at the six universities. These have very
12 up-to-date equipment and in addition all have excellent
13 teaching staffs. The ratio of dentists to population has
14 been worsening each year. The dentists have had recruit-
15 ment campaigns, had pamphlets printed, and completed
16 various promotional schemes to solicit more students. If
17 this ratio of dentists to population is to be improved,
18 student subsidization is necessary to attract more eligible
19 students. Scholarships, financial grants, and direct
20 subsidization on condition that the students serve the
21 province for a period of time after graduation would boost
22 the number taking dentistry.

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26 tants it improves his efficiency a great deal but it also
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2 employed in dental offices but practically all technicians
3 now have their own laboratories. There are about thirty
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5 mately one technician to four dentists. This has been
6 very practical. However, costs have been going up and
7 technicians have been organizing and obtaining provincial
8 charters. They work shorter hours for more pay. There
9 has been a trend recently, for technicians to work directly
10 for the public. This has led to ill-feeling between
11 dentists and technicians and between the ethical technicians
12 and the illegal ones. If accredited hospitals would
13 establish dental clinics subsidized to a degree that this
14 would make an ideal place to make dentures for the lower
15 income and welfare groups. These dentures should be at a
16 low fee and in volume. This would create understanding
17 with the public, and would also stop much of the illegal
18 denture service.

19 17. Hospital Dental Services: There are
20 presently about eight hospitals in the province with accre-
21 dited bed capacity of 100 or more.

22 18. They are reasonably strategically
23 located, but only one, the Saint John General Hospital,
24 offers free out-patient dental facilities. This is limited
25 to extractions under local and general anaesthesia and
26 minor maxillo facial injuries.

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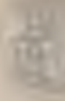
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2 service, where either full, or part-time dental clinics
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4 21. Establishment of dental clinics
5 augmented by dental internships in the larger centre
6 public hospitals would no doubt render invaluable dental
7 health service to both indoor and outdoor patients.

8 22. Under the present N.B. Hospitalization
9 Act it would seem that discrimination against the dentist
10 exists, in that a hospital staff dentist or any registered
11 dentist cannot admit or discharge patients suffering from
12 infections of a dental origin, or injuries to dental struc-
13 tures.

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15 any general health service, of which dentistry is a recog-
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18 groups will of necessity have to limit their dental treat-
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20 the treatment will be and the least satisfactory the final
21 result.

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23 divided into two sections - those more or less permanently
24 in need of assistance and those requiring help for a
25 limited time only. In the case of the first section it
26 can easily be seen that the best result would be obtained
27 by starting dental treatment early. The latter section who
28 require assistance for a limited time only may have their
29 general physical recovery delayed for some time due to
30 their dental condition. In many cases it would be cheaper



have been examined.

21. Establishment of dental clinics

augmented by dental internships in the larger centers

health service to both Indian and non-Indian populations

22. Under the present N.D. Hospitalization

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1 to give complete dental treatment in order to hasten
2 rehabilitation and removal from the welfare lists.

3 25. Children in the welfare groups may
4 have their dental treatment postponed until permanent
5 damage has been done. If these children received treatment
6 as long as they were attending school then they would have
7 teeth worthwhile taking care of when they leave school and
8 are able to look after their own needs.

9 26. RECOMMENDATIONS: Dental treatment
10 should be provided at public expense for both adults and
11 children of the welfare groups.

12 27. Dentistry for Children: In any dental
13 health plan, children should receive a top priority for
14 treatment. They are the coming generation and need all
15 the assistance we are able to provide. Over one third of
16 the population of New Brunswick are children under 19. If
17 a government compulsory pre-payment dental health plan is
18 implemented, then, instead of introducing this to all the
19 children, it should start with ages three to six the first
20 year, then three to seven the next year, and so on, until
21 all the school children are covered. This of necessity
22 would have to be augmented each year with more dentists.
23 None of our dental colleges are up to capacity and some
24 inducement must be made to attract more students to keep
25 this plan operating.

26 APPENDIX "A"

27 NUMBER OF DENTISTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK (1)

28 1911 - 1941

29 1911

91

30 1921

112



1 1931 124
2 1941 118 (2)

- 3 (1) Source: Census of Canada 1911, 1921, 1931, 1941.
4 (2) Includes 17 dentists on active service.

5 NUMBER OF DENTISTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK

6 Source: C.D.A. Statistical Data as compiled annually
7 from submission from Provincial Registrars
8 (as of January 1st)

9 <u>Year</u>	<u>Civilian</u>	<u>Military</u>
10 1943	71	23
11 44	75	23
12 45	89	25
13 46	91	14
14 47	110	4
15 48	108	
16 49	112	
17 50	105	
18 51	106	
19 52	110	
20 53	113	
21 54	116	
22 55	119	
23 56	122	
24 57	125	
25 58	125	
26 59	124	
27 60	114	
28 61	120	



1931

(2) 1931

1941

Source: G.D.A. Statistical Data as compiled annually

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Year	Civilian	Military
1943	71	32
45	89	57
47	110	6
48	108	
49	112	
50	105	
51	106	
53	113	
54	116	
56	122	
57	125	
58	127	
59	124	
60	114	
61	120	

APPENDIX "B"

DENTISTS OF NEW BRUNSWICK BY TOWNS AND CITIES

Compiled from Canadian Dental Association Directory

Andover	1
Bathurst	5
Buctouche	1
Bristol	1
Campbellton	3
Caraquet	1
Centreville	1
Chatham	3
Dalhousie	2
East Florenceville	1
Edmundston	7
Fredericton	12
Grand Falls	3
Hampton	1
Minto	1
Moncton	18
Newcastle	2
Perth	1
Petitcodiac	1
Rexton	1
Richibucto	1
Sackville	2
Saint John	33
Shediac	3
St. George	1
St. Leonard	1
St. Stephen	3



1 St. Quentin 1

2 Sussex 3

3 Tracadie 1

4 Woodstock 4

5 119

6 APPENDIX "C"

7 RATIO OF POPULATION TO DENTISTS

8 Compiled by Department of Health.

9 <u>County</u>	10 <u>Population</u> <u>1959</u>	11 <u>Dentists</u>	12 <u>Population</u> <u>Per Dentist</u>
13 Albert	11,520	N11	N/A
14 Carleton	24,271	5	4,854
15 Charlotte	25,303	5	5,060
16 Gloucester	69,319	8	8,665
17 Kent	29,208	2	14,604
18 Kings	25,188	3	8,396
19 Madawaska	39,964	8	5,000
20 Northumberland	50,954	5	10,190
21 Queens	13,350	N11	N/A
22 Restigouche	42,968	7	6,138
23 Saint John	85,579	31	2,760
24 Sunbury	11,795	2	5,897
25 Victoria	20,539	5	4,108
26 Westmorland	90,828	26	3,500
27 York	49,880	12	4,156
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ESTIMATED POPULATION BY AGE - 1959

in '000s

Compiled by Department of Health

0 - 4	79
5 - 9	75
10 - 14	66
15 - 19	53
20 - 24	41
25 - 34	70.3
35 - 44	68
45 - 54	54.3
55 - 64	38
65 - 69	15.4
70 +	<u>30</u>

Total: 590



APPENDIX "D"

POPULATION BY AGE - 1930

In '000s

Age Group	Population
Under 5	10,000
5-9	10,000
10-14	10,000
15-19	10,000
20-24	10,000
25-29	10,000
30-34	10,000
35-39	10,000
40-44	10,000
45-49	10,000
50-54	10,000
55-59	10,000
60-64	10,000
65-69	10,000
70-74	10,000
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80-84	10,000
85-89	10,000
90-94	10,000
95-99	10,000
Total	1,000,000



1 DR. EDGECOMBE: I might also remark that
2 this brief was produced in very much of a hurry. We had
3 the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Dental Society
4 early in October and we got your Terms of Reference not
5 too far ahead of that, and this brief was produced not
6 knowing exactly what was required.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Edgecombe, I would like
8 to make it quite clear that if you should have any further
9 submission to make, should the New Brunswick Dental
10 Society have anything further to offer to the Commission,
11 please do not hesitate to do so; it can always be sent to
12 the Secretary and it will receive the consideration of the
13 Commission, rather than there should be any want of consi-
14 deration because of the time element.

15 DR. EDGECOMBE: Thank you.

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, you speak of fluoridation
17 of the communal water supply. I take it is the attitude
18 of the New Brunswick Dental Society that that should be
19 done?

20 DR. EDGECOMBE: Very much so, yes, sir.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: What is the situation in New
22 Brunswick? Are there any places where it is done?

23 DR. EDGECOMBE: No, none at all. There is an
24 Act in the Province which states that chemicals may be
25 added to the water supply, and the interpretation given by
26 three Supreme Court judges was that that was only for puri-
27 fication purposes, and therefore unless the Act is changed,
28 we cannot add chemicals to our water supply anywhere except
29 for that purpose. And every year we put up a letter to the
30 Government asking them to change the Act, but to date it



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1 has never been done. In the City of Saint John, I think at
2 least five or six years ago, we had a plebiscite on
3 fluoridation, and the majority of people voted in favour
4 of it, but we can't implement it until the Act is changed.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: As long as this judgment
6 stands?

7 DR. EDGECOMBE: Yes.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Is that of the Supreme Court
9 of Canada?

10 DR. EDGECOMBE: The Supreme Court of New
11 Brunswick. There were three judges. I think there was
12 one minority judgment of one of the judges.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: The case was not taken to
14 the Supreme Court of Canada?

15 DR. EDGECOMBE: No.

16 DR. COUGHLAN: It was a decision given by
17 Supreme Court Judge John McNair, and in order to have
18 fluoridation in the Province the Act would have to be
19 amended because of the fact that he stated nothing could
20 be added to the water supply of New Brunswick except as a
21 puritive agent. Therefore if we wish to go ahead with
22 that we have to have the Act amended, and it has never
23 been brought up.

24 THE CHAIRMAN: And that is a matter of policy
25 of the Provincial Government?

26 DR. COUGHLAN: That is right.

27 THE CHAIRMAN: In reference to dentistry for
28 children, have you in New Brunswick a program of school
29 dentists?

30 DR. BONNELL: I could answer for the City of

DR. EDGECOMBE: Yes.

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1 SaintJohn and Moncton as well. The Board of Health of both
2 those centres employs full-time dentists to run full-time
3 clinics for schoolchildren. In Saint John, for instance,
4 there are actually two full-time clinics in operation at
5 the present time.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: How do the children find their
7 way to the clinics?

8 DR. BONNELL: A lot is done by the public
9 health centres and by the schoolteachers.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Is this service free or is
11 there a charge?

12 DR. BONNELL: It is free, for people who
13 can't afford it.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: That is a different story.
15 But is it available to all or to a select group?

16 DR. BONNELL: No, only to a group who are
17 not able to afford it.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: How are they determined?

19 DR. BONNELL: Actually the Board itself tries
20 to screen the applicants for this. There is a table - I
21 can't give you the exact figures that were used, but I
22 believe the figures were determined from figures supplied
23 by the Federal Government on income and numbers of children.
24 In other words, without giving figures, a certain income
25 and a certain number of children in the family would auto-
26 matically make him eligible for treatment, whereas possibly
27 someone with the same income but one child would not be
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4 whole elementary system?

5 DR. BONNELL: It is right from Grade 1 to
6 Grade 12.

7 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Mr. Chairman, in
8 that connection, where is the service rendered?

9 DR. BONNELL: There are two clinics. One
10 is right in the building which houses the Board of Health,
11 and that is in Saint John, and the other clinic is in a
12 school in Lancaster, one of the schools. I said the City
13 of Saint John. Actually it is the municipality.

14 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Does the Department
15 of Public Health, the Government, render any assistance?

16 DR. BONNELL: Yes, they do. As a matter of
17 fact, one of the dentists is paid completely by the
18 Provincial Department of Health.

19 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: One of the dentists.
20 You mean one of those dentists operating in the clinics?

21 DR. BONNELL: Yes. Actually they are paid
22 through the Board of Health, but the funds are made by the
23 Provincial Department, and the other is financed by the
24 municipality.

25 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Then in paragraph 5
26 of your summary you say: "Subsidized dental clinics should
27 be established in larger hospitals for both in-patients
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2 add a little bit to that?

3 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Yes.

4 DR. BONNELL: In addition to these full-time
5 clinics in Saint John I believe there is a clinic in Moncton
6 operated under a similar idea to the one in Saint John, and
7 there are certain dentists throughout the Province on a
8 part-time basis rendering treatment to schoolchildren,
9 and that is financed by the Provincial Department of
10 Health as well. That would be more in the outlying
11 districts where it is felt that a full-time practitioner
12 at the present time in the present circumstances, there
13 would not be enough work for him, so it is done on a part-
14 time basis, so many mornings a week.

15 In regard to your second question, to my
16 knowledge the only hospital which offers out-patient or
17 in-patient services to the public is the general hospital
18 at Saint John, which has a staff of 4 dentists, and they do
19 strictly extraction of teeth and minor oral surgery. That
20 is gratis on the part of the dentist involved. The hospi-
21 tal does provide the facilities, which are very good.

22 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: In the case of a
23 matter of a fracture case coming to a dental office, how
24 can he go about attending that patient in hospital?

25 DR. BONNELL: Well, it would be necessary
26 for him to have one of his medical friends admit the
27 patient to the hospital and then he can be called in to ---

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3 by the physician in the case.

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5 the cases admitted for exodontia?

6 DR. BONNELL: Yes, the same thing. The
7 physician can admit a patient to the out-patient service
8 himself but not the in-patient, consequently most of the
9 exodontia is done in the out-patient department.

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12 Government presented its brief this morning, and they made
13 an estimate of the cost of dental service. Would you
14 agree with the figure presented?

15 DR. EDGECOMBE: I would certainly not agree
16 with that. My arithmetic is not very good, but I under-
17 stood it was \$5 per capita, and the average fee for one
18 extraction in this Province is \$4. I can't see that \$5
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5 rough idea, one-tenth of medical health care, but it will
6 give some indication of the cost of comprehensive dental
7 health care. But incidentally, the summary of that report,
8 and I am sure you will have it, it was produced by money
9 provided from the Kellogg Foundation, and it was subsidi-
10 dized again by the American Dental Association. It was
11 a very comprehensive report.

12 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Speaking of subsidi-
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14 Has any effort been made to bring this about in the
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16 DR. EDGECOMBE: Not that I know of in the
17 Province of New Brunswick. I do know that Newfoundland
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20 has gone back to Newfoundland, and they are told where
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22 advance, and they are subsidized while they attend Dal-
23 housie Dental School, and there is also the military scheme
24 of subsidization, which is also, I think they have pro-
25 duced 257 to date, and a good percentage of them have gone
26 back to private practice, and most of them have gone
27 to the Province from which they came.

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3 give.

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5 in the Dalhousie brief.

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16 ment pays the hospitalization charge, and only the medical
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3 pay the bills for any patient that was admitted by a
4 dentist.

5 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: But if it is admitted
6 by a physician, then the dentist does get paid. I am
7 talking about the system of admission, and I want to know
8 whether it is specifically stated in the Act that the
9 dentist has no right and is prohibited?

10 DR. BONNELL: No, it does not say specifically
11 that, but it does say that they must be admitted by a
12 physician.

13 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: And it says that in
14 the Act?

15 DR. BONNELL: Yes.

16 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: It specifically
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18 the hospital?

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24 general anaesthesia and minor maxillo facial injuries".
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26 as staff members, who render such treatment as a public
27 service".

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6 no other privileges than the other dentists in the city.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Is the distinction that you
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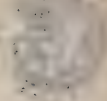
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1 Brunswick there is no mention that it actually excludes
2 dentistry in all forms, whereas in other Provinces it
3 does, but even in the other Provinces there is still a
4 conflict between the hospitals --

5 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: - Dr. Bonnell, on page
6 5, No. 25, it states that children in the welfare group
7 may have their dental treatment postponed until permanent
8 damage has been done. Did I misunderstand the statement
9 made a little earlier that public health nurses could refer
10 needy children to clinics to get free dental treatment?

11 DR. BONNELL: No, that is correct, but it is
12 only in two communities really in the Province. In the
13 municipality of SaintJohn and in Moncton they can be
14 referred to the school clinics, but it is a little more
15 difficult in the outlying districts. Then of course, there
16 is a tremendous backlog. I believe the two clinics in
17 SaintJohn are not really able to render as much treatment
18 as they would like to.

19 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: It is really only for
20 the cities?

21 DR. BONNELL: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: I realize, Mr.
23 Chairman, that this question might better have been put to
24 a former organization but perhaps we can clarify it here.
25 In the event that by the courtesy of a physician you have
26 a fracture case admitted to the hospital and you, as a
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3 cannot.

4 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: Then would it be
5 recognized if he did it in name and you actually did it?

6 DR. BONNELL: I am afraid I cannot answer
7 that sir.

8 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: But these insurance
9 schemes recognize no dental treatment at all. I think
10 that will suffice to make the point.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: It is an exclusion in the
12 contract.

13 COMMISSIONER STRACHAN: What about the
14 Workmen's Compensation Board?

15 DR. BONNELL: Yes, if a patient is referred
16 by the Workmen's Compensation Board, a fracture case for
17 instance, and the dentist renders the treatment we are
18 paid directly by the Workmen's Compensation Board.

19 DR. EDGECOMBE: That cheque goes directly to
20 the dentist. There was a time when it went to the patient
21 and the dentist never saw it.

22 DR. MacDOUGALL: Mr. Chairman, may I correct
23 one point with respect to the insurance payment. The
24 statement they are making concerning a fractured jaw, for
25 example, a patient admitted to hospital by a physician.

26 THE CHAIRMAN: I think we ought to put the
27 facts correctly. I mean to say, so that you may answer
28 them. All they are saying is that a dentist cannot admit
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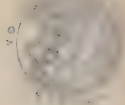
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12 contract, Mr. Doyle, unless you have changed it since you
13 sent this exhibit in.

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15 a doctor in the hospital for treatment of a fractured jaw
16 by a dentist, the patient may be paid by the plan.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: That is what they have already
18 said.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Chairman, my
20 question is directed to Dr. Edgecombe. Is the New Bruns-
21 wick Dental Association in favour of a prepaid comprehen-
22 sive dental care program for the people of New Brunswick?

23 DR. EDGECOMBE: Well, we think that our
24 members are far too few to attempt any such thing at the
25 present time. We have a population, as you know, of
26 around 600,000, and we have 115 dentists, and most of us
27 are busy now, and add that on top, and I cannot see at
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2 getting more dentists, that we would be in favour of it.
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4 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are you in favour
5 of the principle of a prepaid comprehensive dental care
6 program for the Province of New Brunswick?

7 DR. COUGHLAN: We certainly would be in
8 favour, but it is a physical impossibility at the present,
9 and for some years to come, to accomplish that fact.

10 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would it be
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12 am directing the question again to you, Dr. Edgecombe,
13 to advise the Royal Commission of what would be required
14 in terms of numbers of dentists, and anything else to
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16 of the Province of New Brunswick?

17 DR. EDGECOMBE: We have in this Province I
18 think a ratio of dentists of one to 5,000. I think there
19 is only one Province in Canada that is in a worse position,
20 and that is Newfoundland, and that ratio of one to 5,000
21 is a very far off, shall we say -- in the United States
22 they have a ratio of one to 2,000. The Canadian Army has
23 one to 950. That ratio, one to 5,000, would have to be
24 corrected considerably I would say before you could imple-
25 ment any plan, but I don't see why steps could not be
26 taken over a period of time to do it by degrees, and in
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5 hospital facilities, etc. Is that your position sir?

6 DR. EDGECOMBE: Yes.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would it be possible
8 to let the Commission know of how this desirable objective
9 could be achieved in the Province of New Brunswick. What
10 are your views as to the number of dentists required? How
11 could those dentists be trained, persuaded to come here?
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13 to provide such a program? You realize, Dr. Edgecombe,
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16 in practice, and are competent to advise us, and we are
17 coming to you to give us this advice. Would it be possible
18 for your Association to give some thought to this matter,
19 and let us know how such a desirable objective could be
20 achieved in New Brunswick?

21 DR. EDGECOMBE: We would be very happy to
22 do that.

23 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And would you go
24 further, and tell us in your opinion what such a program
25 would cost for the Province of New Brunswick. You
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2 Are you suggesting that the dental cost per capita for the
3 average citizen in New Brunswick would be equivalent to
4 that for the average American?

5 DR. EDGECOMBE: No, I am certainly not.

6 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And therefore that
7 the figure would be somewhat lower than \$11, and you might
8 find the $5\frac{1}{2}$ dollar figure submitted might not be far out,
9 and therefore it would help the Commission if you could
10 come to independent estimate, so that we can have an appre-
11 ciation of what would be involved if such a program were
12 to be proceeded with?

13 DR. EDGECOMBE: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would you also care
15 to offer us some advice as to how such a program should
16 be financed, and I am not asking you for an answer at the
17 moment, but if I may state the question, and then leave
18 it to your good judgment to provide us with whatever infor-
19 mation you can.

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MR. EDGECOMBE: No, I am certainly not.

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1 We would like to know from you how such a
2 program could be financed; where the money would come
3 from. Perhaps you could make this information available
4 with whatever supplementary information you wish to send
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6 DR. EDGECOMBE: I can do that, yes.

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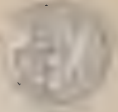
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17 wholesaler carries an increasing line of
18 non-scheduled drugs for over-the-counter sales.
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7 which we can divide into two groups:

8 (a) 25 hospitals with over 30 beds,

9 (b) 15 hospitals with under 30 beds.

10 In order to provide the necessary protection
11 for the patients in hospitals, the New
12 Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society feels
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- (4) Direct patient costs.

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10 morally or legally bound to fill the prescription with
11 the cheapest medication available, but rather with a
12 brand he knows is reliable. Only a small percentage
13 of prescriptions loan themselves to the use of generic or
14 nonproprietary names because of the high percentage of
15 manufacturers specialties which are prepackaged compounds.

16 We further submit that the only method on non-
17 proprietary prescribing would be (a) that the Federal
18 Department of Health be responsible for all nonproprietary
19 or generic names, (b) that all manufacturers must be
20 licensed so that quality control would always be
21 maintained as some manufacturers do not have quality
22 control. The government should insist that this be
23 immediately implemented and any costs of such a
24 procedure be borne completely by the manufacturers
25 concerned.

26 20. A projected cost programme could not be con-
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prescribed drug. The pharmacist assumes a complete

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dispensed. This does not imply that the pharmacist is

morally or legally bound to fill the prescription with

the cheapest medication available, but rather with a

brand he knows is reliable. Only a small percentage

of prescriptions lean themselves to the use of generic or

nonproprietary names because of the high percentage of

manufacturers specialties which are prepackaged compounds

We further submit that the only method of non-

proprietary prescribing would be (a) that the Federal

Department of Health be responsible for all nonproprietary

or generic names, (b) that all manufacturers must be

licensed so that quality control would always be

maintained as some manufacturers do not have quality

control. The government should insist that this be

immediately implemented and any costs of such a

procedure be borne completely by the manufacturers

concerned.

20. A projected cost programme could not be con-

sidered at this time since the returns of the Society were

not complete, but it is the intention of the Society

before the final brief is presented to prepare



1 21. Summation.

2 (a) From evidence available the provision of
3 drugs either on a free or contributory scheme is shown
4 to be a most expensive undertaking. Since the patient
5 now must pay the research, manufacturing, advertising and
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15 utilization.

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17 Comprehensive Health Care Plan should include:

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21 through a pharmacist.

22 (2) Pharmacist representation on anybody
23 charged with the development and administration
24 of policies pertaining to pharmaceutical
25 services.

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1-A The members of the Society shall consist of such persons as are now members thereof together with such persons as shall hereafter pursuant unto the provisions of this Act become registered as Pharmaceutical Chemists. The Society shall have the power to acquire and hold for its purposes real and personal property and may alienate, mortgage, lease, charge or dispose of the same or any part thereof and may erect buildings for the purpose of the Society and do all such things as may be incidental to these purposes.

2-A Council and Officers

There shall be a Council Society composed of twelve members which shall be elected an annual meeting from among those members of the Society who reside in the province and are in good standing.

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1 and also appoint a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Registrar
2 who may, but need not be members of the Council. The
3 offices of Secretary and Registrar may from time to time
4 be held by the same person.

5 4-A The Council shall have the sole control and
6 management of all property of the Society, but no real
7 property shall be acquired, alienated, mortgaged, leased,
8 charged or disposed of without previous authorization of
9 the Society evidenced by a resolution passed by
10 affirmative vote of majority of the members of Society
11 present at an annual meeting. The Council may make by-
12 laws and regulations not in consistence with the Act
13 respecting

14 (a) the regulation of a meeting and
15 proceedings of the Society and the Council,

16 (b) the appointment and remuneration of
17 the officers and examiners of the Society,

18 (c) the holding and conduct of examination
19 of candidates for registration as
20 pharmaceutical chemists.

21 5-A The Council is responsible for the quality of
22 the pharmaceutical chemists in New Brunswick, to this end
23 it must appoint a board of examiners who shall meet at
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1 (a) Good moral character.

2 (b) Possession of a junior matriculation
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4 equivalent standard approved by the
5 Council.

6 (c) Not less than twenty-three months or
7 three thousand hours service as an
8 assistant to one or more registered
9 pharmaceutical chemists in any one or
10 more of the Provinces of New Brunswick,
11 Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

12 (d) Attended and successfully passed an
13 elementary course at the Maritime College
14 of Pharmacy or at any other college approved
15 by the Council.

16 7-A (Sec.14)

17 Every candidate for registration as a
18 pharmaceutical chemist shall, in addition to and before
19 passing the examination provided therefore, satisfy the
20 Council that he has:

21 (a) Good moral character.

22 (b) Passed the certified clerk's
23 examination.

24 (c) Possession of a junior matriculation
25 certificate or a certificate of
26 equivalent standard approved by the
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8-A (Sec.15)

Every person who has satisfied the provisions above and who has paid all fees prescribed shall upon application be registered as a Pharmaceutical Chemist and be entitled to receive from the Society a diploma.

9-A Shop Licences (Sec.24)

Every person who carried on a business of pharmacy shall take out a shop license, from the Registrar of the Society, for the purpose in respect of each shop or place of business in which he conducts a pharmacy.

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To obtain such a license the applicant must:

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2 information as may be thereby required.

3 (b) Furnish to the Registrar satis-
4 factory evidence that the shop is under
5 the bona-fide personal supervision of
6 a pharmaceutical chemist.

7 (c) If so required, satisfy the Council
8 that the applicant has in each such shop
9 adequate and suitable stock and
10 dispensing equipment and adequate and
11 suitable reference library and that
12 with respect to general cleanliness and
13 sanitation and otherwise the premises,
14 stock and dispensing equipment are
15 suitable for compounding, dispensing
16 and the sale of drugs and medicines.

17 (d) Comply with the by-laws and reg-
18 ulations of the Society respecting the
19 issue of a shop license and the
20 prescribed fee to be paid.

21 11-A (Sec.29)

22 Such a shop license shall be in the form
23 prescribed by by-law and shall entitle the holder
24 thereof to conduct, or have conducted in accordance with
25 the provision of this Act a drug store in the premises
26 designated in the license.

27 12-A (Sec.24)

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1 13-A (Sec.25)

2 Every drug store shall be under the personal
3 supervision of a bona-fide pharmaceutical chemist. No
4 pharmaceutical chemist shall be competent at any one
5 time to exercise personal superintendence over more than
6 one store.

7 14-A Sale of Poisons and Drugs (Sec.27)

8 No person shall sell any article named in
9 Schedule A part two (see Appendix A) or any article
10 named and marked with an asterisk in Schedule A part three
11 either by wholesale or retail unless the box, bottle,
12 vessel, wrapper or cover in which the poison is contained
13 is distinctly labelled with the word "poison" and if so
14 by retail then also with the name and address of the
15 proprietor of the establishment in which it is sold.

16 15-A (Sec.28)

17 The articles or preparation thereof mentioned
18 in Schedule A part one may be sold only to or on the
19 prescription of a legally qualified medical practitioner,
20 dentist or veterinary surgeon.

21 16-A (Sec.29)

22 The articles mentioned in Schedule A part two
23 and part three may be sold only to a person who in the
24 judgment of the seller is purchasing any such article in
25 good faith for its proper use.

26 17-A (Sec.29)

27 On every sale of any article mentioned in
28 Schedule A part two the person selling the same shall
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before delivery make an entry in a book to be kept for

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act (see Appendix B) stating the date of sale, the name and address of the purchaser, the name and quantity of the article sold and the purpose for which it is stated by the purchaser to be required.

18-A Offenses and Penalties (Sec.39)

Disciplinary powers of the Society, the Council may of its own motion and shall on the application of any person inquire into and determine any matter of complaint against any member of the Society where it is in substance alleged or the Council has reasonable grounds for believing that such a member has been guilty of:

(a) Any offence against any act of Parliament of Canada or the legislature of New Brunswick relating to the sale of Narcotics, Drugs, Poisons or Alcoholic Liquors.

(b) Professional misconduct or conduct unbecoming to one who has the responsibility of practising pharmacy and selling drugs and poisons and particularly when such conduct is in respect to the use of Narcotic Drugs, Poisons or Alcoholic Liquors.

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3 shall report to the Concil its findings and such recom-
4 mendations as the Committee or majority thereof may
5 deem advisable, such report shall be made in writing
6 and signed by the members of the Committee concurring
7 therein and there shall be included in or attached to
8 such report the Minutes of the Proceedings before the
9 Committee, the evidence adduced and all exhibits
10 produced, or copies thereof.

11 20-A (Sec.39)

12 If the Council after holding an inquiry or
13 upon receiving a report from the Committee of investi-
14 gation considers the matter of complaint well founded,
15 it may order that the registration of the person whose
16 conduct has been under inquiry be cancelled or that he
17 be suspended from practising for such a period as the
18 Council may deem proper, or the Council may take such
19 other order as they deem just.

20 21-A (Sec.39)

21 Any person to whom a certificate shall be
22 denied by the Council, or whose registration has been
23 ordered cancelled by the Council, or who has been
24 suspended from practising under the provisions of this
25 Act, may appeal such an order of the Council to any judge
26 of the Supreme Court within three months from the date of
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1 further inquiries of the Council into the case and as to
2 cost as shall be just.

3 22-A (Sec.39)

4 No action shall lie against the Council or any
5 committee or member thereof for any proceedings taken in
6 good faith or orders made or enforced under the
7 disciplinary provisions of this Act.

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NEW BRUNSWICK PHARMACEUTICAL ACT

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1. A-methopterin (4-amino-N10-methylpteroylglutamic acid) and its salts.
2. Amino-an-fol (4-aminopteroylaspartic acid) and its salts.
3. Aminopterin (4-amino-pteroylglutamic acid).
4. Aminopyrine, and any salt, homologue or derivative thereof and preparations containing aminopyrine and any salt, homologue or derivative thereof.
5. Amphetamine, and any salt thereof; and preparations containing amphetamine or any salt thereof.
6. Apio1 and preparations containing apio1.
7. Atropine, and its salts; and internal preparations containing more than 1/500 gr. per stated dose, or other preparations containing more than 0.1% by weight.
8. Barbituric acid, and any salt, homologue or derivative thereof, and preparations containing barbituric acid or salt, homologue or derivative thereof.
9. Bishydroxycoumarin, its salts and derivatives including Dicumarol, Cumopyran and Tromexan.
10. Bisulfan.

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acid) and its salts.

Amino-antifol (4-aminopteroylglutamic acid) and

its salts.

Aminopyrine, and any salt, homologue or

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aspirin, and any salt thereof; and

preparations containing aspirin or any

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atropine, and its salts, and its salts.

preparations containing more than 1/100 of

per stated dose, or other preparations con-

taining more than 0.1% by weight.

Barbituric acid, and any salt, homologue or

derivative thereof, and preparations con-

taining barbituric acid or salt, homologue

or derivative thereof.

Bisulphide, its salts and derivatives

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- 1 11. Bromal and the following derivatives: Bromal
- 2 hydrate, brometone, bromoform.
- 3 12. Carbomycin (magnamycin) and any compound
- 4 thereof.
- 5 13. Carbromal and the following derivatives:
- 6 acetylcarbromal, bromisoval, diethylbromace-
- 7 tamide, allylisopropylacetylurea.
- 8 14. Chloral and the following derivatives: alpha-
- 9 chloralose, chloral-formamide, chloral hydrate,
- 10 butyl chloral hydrate, chloralimide.
- 11 15. Chrloramphenicol (Chloromycetin) and any salt
- 12 or derivative thereof and preparations con-
- 13 taining chloramphenicol or any salt or
- 14 derivative thereof except where sold for
- 15 veterinary purposes.
- 16 16. Chlorpromazine and its salts.
- 17 17. Chloretetracycline (Aureomycin) and any salt or
- 18 derivative thereof, and preparations containing
- 19 chlortetracycline or any salt or derivative
- 20 thereof; except where sold for veterinary
- 21 purposes.
- 22 18. Cinchophen and Neocinchophen and preparations
- 23 containing cincophen or neocinchophen.
- 24 19. Codeine and its salts and their preparations,
- 25 except preparations containing one-eighth grain
- 26 or less of codeine per tablet or other solid
- 27 form, or liquid preparations containing one-
- 28 third grain or less of codeine per fluid ounce,
- 29 when such preparations are combined with other
- 30 medicinal ingredients and the maximum dose

Bromal and the following derivatives: Bromal

hydrate, bromotone, bromoform.

Carbonyl (magnesium) and any compound

Carbonyl and the following derivatives:

amide, allylpropylacetate,

Chloral and the following derivatives: alpha-

chloralose, chloral-formamide, chloral hydrate,

butyl chloral hydrate, chloralhydrate,

Chloramphenicol (Chloromycetin) and any salt

or derivative thereof and preparations con-

taining chloramphenicol or any salt or

derivative thereof except where sold for

Chlorpromazine and its salts.

Chlorotetracycline (Aureomycin) and any salt

derivative thereof, and preparations containing

chlorotetracycline or any salt or derivative

thereof; except where sold for veterinary

purposes.

Cinchophen and Neocinchophen and preparations

containing cinchophen or neocinchophen.

Codine and its salts and their preparations,

except preparations containing one-eighth grain

or less of codine per tablet or other solid

form, or liquid preparations containing one-

third grain or less of codine per fluid ounce,

when such preparations are combined with other

medicinal ingredients and the maximum dose

1 prescribed for the preparation contains:

2 (i) One such ingredient not less in
3 quantity than the amount prescribed
4 by the British Pharmacopoeia as a
5 minimum dose for such ingredient:

6 (ii) Two such ingredients having
7 similar action, each not less in
8 quantity than one-half the amount
9 prescribed the the British Pharma-

10 copoeia as a minimum dose for each
11 such ingredient respectively; or

12 (iii) Three such ingredients having
13 a similar action each not less in
14 quantity than one-third that amount
15 prescribed by the British Pharma-
16 copoeia as a minimum dose for each
17 such ingredient respectively.

18 20. Corticotrophin (ACTH) and preparations
19 containing cortiocotrophin.

20 21. Cortisone, and any salt or derivative
21 thereof, and preparations containing
22 cortisone or any sale or derivative
23 thereof (including hydrocortisone).

24 22. Cycloserine.

25 23. Dihydrostreptomycin and any compound
26 thereof and preparations containing
27 dihydrostreptomycin or any compound
28 thereof except when sold for veterinary
29 purposes.

30 24. 2:4-dinitrophenol and any compound,

prescribed for the preparation contains:

(1) One such ingredient not less in

quantity than the amount prescribed

by the British Pharmacopoeia as a

minimum dose for such ingredient;

(ii) Two such ingredients having

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thereof, and preparations containing

corticoids or any salt or derivative

thereof (including nortestosterone).

Hydrocortisone and any salt or derivative

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- 1 homologue or derivative thereof.
- 2 25. Ergot, and its alkaloids and
- 3 preparations containing ergot or its
- 4 alkaloids.
- 5 26. Erythromycin and any salt or deriva-
- 6 tive thereof; and preparations containing
- 7 erythromycin or any salt or derivative
- 8 thereof.
- 9 27. Fumagilllin.
- 10 28. Glutethimide (alpha-ethyl-alpha-phenyl
- 11 glutaramide) its salts and derivatives.
- 12 29. Hydrocyanic. (Prussic) Acid.
- 13 30. Hyoscine (Scopolamine) and its salts;
- 14 and internal preparations and containing
- 15 more than 1/200 gr. per stated dose, or
- 16 other preparations containing more than
- 17 0.05 per cent by weight.
- 18 31. Iproniazid.
- 19 32. Isoniazid.
- 20 33. Isonicotinic Acid Hydrazide and any
- 21 derivative thereof; and preparations con-
- 22 taining isonicotinic acid hydrozide or
- 23 any derivative thereof.
- 24 34. 6-Mercaptopurine.
- 25 35. Methamphetamine, and any salt thereof; and
- 26 preparations containing methamphetamine
- 27 or any salt thereof.
- 28 36. Novobiocin, its salts and derivatives.
- 29 37. Oxytetracycline (Terramycin) and any salt
- 30 or derivative thereof; and preparations



...and its salts or derivatives

Ergot, and its alkaloids and preparations containing ergot or its

...and its salts or derivatives

Erythronol and any salt or derivative

...and preparations containing

erythronol or any salt or derivative

...thereof.

...Tumegilin.

...and its salts or derivatives

glutaric acid (Pantonic Acid),

Hydrocyanic Acid, and its salts;

Isooctine (Octopamine) and its salts;

and internal preparations and containing

more than 1/1000 gr. per stated dose, or

other preparations containing more than

0.05 per cent. by weight.

Isonitrate.

...and its salts or derivatives

Isonitric Acid (Nitrolic acid) and its

derivative thereof; and preparations con-

taining Isonitric Acid (Nitrolic acid) or

any derivative thereof.

...and its salts or derivatives

Methamphetamine, and any salt thereof; and

preparations containing methamphetamine

or any salt thereof.

Novocain, its salts and derivatives.

Oxytetracycline (Terracycline) and any salt

or derivative thereof; and preparations



- 1 containing oxytetracycline or any
- 2 salt or derivative thereof, except
- 3 where sold for veterinary purposes.
- 4 38. Paraldehyde and Metaldenide.
- 5 39. Penicillin, its salts or derivatives
- 6 and preparations containing penicillin,
- 7 its salts or derivatives excluding
- 8 lozenges containing not more than 3000
- 9 International Units per dose; except
- 10 where sold for veterinary purposes.
- 11 40. Phenylbutazone and any derivatives
- 12 thereof; and preparations containing
- 13 phenylbutazone or any derivatives
- 14 thereof.
- 15 41. Phenylindanedione (Darilone).
- 16 42. Phenytoin/Sodium and other Hydantoin
- 17 derivatives and preparations containing
- 18 phenytoin-sodium or other hydantoin
- 19 derivatives.
- 20 43. Pipradol Hydrochloride (alpha-a(2-piperidyl)
- 21 benzhydrol hydrochloride) and its salts.
- 22 44. Polymixin ('B' Sulphate), or any
- 23 preparations thereof except for topical
- 24 use or for local action in the oral
- 25 cavity or nasal passage.
- 26 45. Primidone.
- 27 46. Promazine and its salts.
- 28 47. Pyrazinamide (pyrazine-carboxamide).
- 29 48. Selenium, and any salt thereof, and
- 30 preparations containing selenium or any

containing cysteine or its salts or derivative thereof, except

Paraldehyde and Metaldehyde.

Penicillin, its salts or derivatives

and preparations containing penicillin,

its salts or derivatives excluding

formones containing not more than 3000

where sold for veterinary purposes.

Phenylazones and any derivatives

phenylazones or any derivatives

Phenylol-sodium and other Hydroxy

derivatives and preparations containing

phenylol-sodium or other hydroxy

benzylol hydrochloride) and its salts.

Polymyxin (B; Sulphate), or any

preparations thereof except for topical

use or for local action in the oral

cavity or nasal passage.

Primidone.

Fromazine and its salts.

Pyrazinamide (pyrazine-carboxamide).

Selenium, and any salt thereof, and

preparations containing selenium or any



- 1 salt thereof.
- 2 49. Sex Hormones as defined by Food and
3 Drug Regulations except skin creams
4 containing sex hormones which are
5 demonstrated to be free from systemic
6 effects.
- 7 50. Streptomycin and any compound thereof
8 and preparations containing streptomycin
9 or any compound thereof except where
10 sold for veterinary purposes.
- 11 51. Sulphonal and Alkyl Sulphonals.
- 12 52. Sulphonamides and any salt, homologue or
13 derivatives thereof and preparations
14 containing sulphonamides or any salt,
15 homologue or derivative thereof; except
16 when sold for veterinary purposes.
- 17 53. Tetraethylthiuram disulphide and
18 preparations containing tetraethyl-
19 thiuram disulphide (Disulfiram).
- 20 54. Tetracycline (Achromycin) and any salt
21 or derivative thereof, and preparations
22 containing tetracycline or any salt or
23 derivative thereof except where sold
24 for veterinary purposes.
- 25 55. Thiocyanates.
- 26 56. Thiouracil and any salt, homologue or
27 derivative thereof and preparations
28 containing thiouracil or any salt
29 homologue or derivative thereof.
- 30 57. Thyroid and any preparations containing

Self thereof.

Sex Hormones as defined by Food and Drug Regulations except skin creams containing sex hormones which are demonstrated to be free from systemic effects.

Strophanthidin and any compound thereof and preparations containing strophanthidin or any compound thereof except where sold for veterinary purposes.

Sulphonamides and alkyl Sulphonamides.

Sulphonamides and any salt, homologue or derivatives thereof and preparations containing sulphonamides or any salt, homologue or derivative thereof, except

Tetracycline (Achromycin) and any salt or derivative thereof, and preparations containing tetracycline or any salt or derivative thereof except where sold

Thioacetamide.

Thiourea and any salt, homologue or derivative thereof and preparations containing thiourea or any salt, homologue or derivative thereof.

Thyroid and any preparations containing



thyroid.

58. Thyroxin or any salt thereof; and
preparations containing thyroxin or
any salt thereof.

59. Tretamine.

60. L-Triiodothyronine.

61. Trimethadione or paramethadione or
preparations of either of them.

62. Ureides including Bromal or Carbromal
and preparations containing ureides.

63. Urethane and any preparations
containing urethane.

64. Viomycin and any compound thereof.



Thyroxin or any salt thereof; and

preparations containing thyroxin or

Thyristadione or paramechadione or

preparations of either of them.

Ureides including Bromal or Carbromal

Urethane and any preparations

Vitamin and any compound thereof.



Part II - Schedule A

Articles which may be sold only to a person who in the judgment of the seller is purchasing any of such articles in good faith for its proper use, and after being entered in the Poison Register, and properly labelled:

1. Aconite and alkaloids and preparations thereof; except external preparations containing less than 0.2% aconitine.
2. Alkaloids: all poisonous vegetable alkaloids, not specifically mentioned elsewhere in these Schedules and their salts and all poisonous derivatives thereof.
3. Aresenic and preparations and compounds thereof, except as provided in part III of this Schedule.
4. Belladonna and preparations and compounds thereof, except plasters and except as provided in part III of this Schedule.
5. Cantharides and preparations thereof.
6. Carbolic Acid, pure or of greater strength than five per centum when mixed with water, or ten per centum when mixed with glycerin and water, but not crude carbolic acid.
7. Conium and preparations thereof.
8. Croton Oil.
9. Hysocyamus and preparations thereof.
10. Lobelia and alkaloids and preparations thereof except external preparations

who in the judgment of the seller is purchasing any of such articles in good faith for its proper use, and

labeled:

Acetate and alcohols and preparations

containing less than 0.1% acetone.

Alkaloids: all poisonous vegetable

elsewhere in these schedules and their

salts and all poisonous derivatives

thereof.

Acetone and preparations and compounds

thereof, except as provided in part III

of this schedule.

Alkaloids and preparations and compounds

thereof except acetone and salts and

provided in part III of this schedule.

Gastric and preparations thereof.

Gastric Acid, pure or in aqueous solution

than five per centum when mixed with water,

or ten per centum when mixed with glycerin

and water, and not more than 0.1% acid.

Gastric and preparations thereof.

Gastric oil.

Hypocyanous and preparations thereof.

Iodine and alcohols and preparations

thereof except external preparations



- 1 containing not more than the
- 2 equivalent of 6 grains of crude lobelia.
- 3 11. Mercurial salts, except Calomel, and
- 4 tablet form of corrosive sublimate,
- 5 when sold in conformity with the
- 6 requirements of Food and Drug Act (Canada).
- 7 12. Nux Vomica and preparations thereof.
- 8 13. Oil of Bitter Almonds, unless deprived
- 9 of Hydrocyanic (Prussic) Acid.
- 10 14. Oil of Rue.
- 11 15. Oil of Savin.
- 12 16. Oil of Tansy.
- 13 17. Potassium Antimonyltartrate (Tartar
- 14 Emetic).
- 15 18. Potassium Cyanide and all other metallic
- 16 cyanides including cyanogas.
- 17 19. Strong solution of lead subacetate
- 18 (Goulard's Extract).
- 19 20. Strophanthus and preparations thereof.
- 20 21. Strychnine, its salts and preparations
- 21 thereof except as provided in Part III
- 22 of this Schedule.
- 23 22. Hohimba and alkaloids thereof and
- 24 preparations containing yohimba or
- 25 alkaloids thereof.
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tables form of corrective substituents.

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Potassium Antimonyl Tartrate (Tartar)



Part III - Schedule A

Articles which may be sold only to a person who in the judgment of the seller is purchasing any of such articles in good faith for its proper use (those marked "#" to be labelled "Poison"):

1. #Acid Chromic.
2. #Acid Oxalic.
3. #Acid Picric (Trinitrophenol).
4. #Amyl Nitrite.
5. #Barium Chloride.
6. #Barium Sulphide.
7. #Benzene (benzol)
8. #Benzene Hexachloride - Lindane, etc.
Commexane.
9. #Carbon Bisulphide (Carbon Disulphide).
10. #Carbon tetrachloride - (when labelled as such and where the label bears the skull and crossbones insignia and the following wording:
"POISON -- Vapours and odours from this solution are POISONOUS. Use only in open air or well ventilated room: and where the name of the pharmacy in which such sale is made is displayed on the container).
11. #Chlordane.
12. #Chloroform.
13. #Copper carbonate.
14. #Copper subacetate.
15. #Copper sulphate.
16. #Corrosive sublimate, when sold in accordance with legislation of Canada and regulations

Articles which may be sold only to a person

such articles in good faith for its proper use (those

marked "F" to be labelled "Poison"):

#Acid Chromic.

#Amyl Nitrite.

#Barium Sulphide.

#Benzene (benzol).

#Benzene Hexachloride - Lindane, etc.

#Carbon Disulphide (Carbon Disulfide).

#Carbon tetrachloride - (when labelled as

such and where the label bears the words and

crossbones therein and the following words:

"POISON -- Vapours and steam from this

substance are poisonous. Use only in good

air or well ventilated room and where the

name of the company in which it is sold is

made is displayed on the container).

#Copper sulphate.

#Corrosive sublimate, when sold in its original

with legislation of Canada and regulations.



thereunder.

17. #Cotton Root and preparations thereof.

19. #Cresol (Cresylic Acid) and its preparations,
and the homologues of Cresol and their
preparations when stronger than 5% Cresol.

20. #Crude Carbohc Acid.

21. #D.D.T. -- 2, 2-bis (p-chlorophenyl).

1,1,1, trichlorocthane.

22. #Derris Root.

24. #Digitalis and preparations thereof.

24. #D.N.O.C. -- 3, 5-dinitro-o-cresol, and aly
salt thereof.

25. #DNOCHP -- 2, 4, dinitro-6-cyclohexylphenol.

26. #Ether.

27. ##thyl Chloride.

28. #Formaldehyde, whether desribed as Formalin
or any other trade mark name, mark or
designation.

29. #Guaiacol.

30. #Hellebore.

31. #Henna.

32. #Iodine and preparations thereof.

33. #Lead Salts and Solutions.

34. Methoxychlor.

35. #Methyl Hydrate.

36. #Neotran -- (Dow Chem. Co.) --bis
(p-chlorophenoxy) methane.

37. #Oil of Cedar.

38. #Oil of chenopodium.

39. #Oil of Pennroyal.



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17.	Wotton Root and preparations thereof.	17.
18.	Wesson (Cravie Acid) and its preparations, and the homologues of Cravie and their	18.
19.		19.
20.	Wetzel Carboxylic Acid.	20.
21.		21.
22.		22.
23.	Wetzel and preparations thereof.	23.
24.	W.D.M.O.C. - 3, 5-dinitro-o-cresol, and ally	24.
25.	Wetzel.	25.
26.	Wetzel - 2, 4, 6-trinitro-phenol.	26.
27.		27.
28.	Wetzel, whether described as a compound	28.
29.	or any other trade mark name, mark or	29.
30.		30.
31.	Wetzel.	31.
32.	Wetzel.	32.
33.	Wetzel.	33.
34.	Wetzel and preparations thereof.	34.
35.	Wetzel Salts and Solutions.	35.
36.	Wetzel.	36.
37.	Wetzel.	37.
38.	Wetzel.	38.
39.	Wetzel.	39.
40.	Wetzel.	40.
41.	Wetzel.	41.
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47.	Wetzel.	47.
48.	Wetzel.	48.
49.	Wetzel.	49.
50.	Wetzel.	50.



- 1 40. #Oil of Wintergreen.
- 2 41. #Pennyroyal.
- 3 42. #Pest Destroyers of a poisonous nature
- 4 including:
- 5 Arsenate of lead.
- 6 H.E.T.P. - hexaethyletraphosphate.
- 7 Parathion - O, O diethyl-o-p-nitrophenyl.
- 8 Thiophosphate.
- 9 Paris Green.
- 10 Pestox 3--bis (dimethylaminophosphorous).
- 11 Anhydride.
- 12 Sodium arsenite including Penite 35.
- 13 T.E.P.P. - tetraethylpyrophosphate.
- 14 43. #Phosphorus in a free state.
- 15 44. #Picrotoxin.
- 16 45. #Potassium Bichromate.
- 17 46. #Potassium Hydroxide.
- 18 47. #Potassium Permanganate.
- 19 48. #Rotenone.
- 20 49. #Rothane - dichlorodiphenyldichloroethane,
- 21 including Schradan.
- 22 50. #Sabadilla seeds.
- 23 51. #Santonin.
- 24 52. #Silver Nitrate.
- 25 53. #Sodium Fluoride.
- 26 54. Sodium Hydroxide.
- 27 55. #Stavesacre.
- 28 56. #Strammonium and preparations thereof.
- 29 57. #Thallium Salts.
- 30 58. #Tobacco Extract.



- 1 59. #Warfarin Compound 42 (WAR42) 3-(d-ace
- 2 toxylbenzyl) - 4-hydroxycoumarin.
- 3 60. Zinc Salts.
- 4 61. Arsenic, Belladonna and Strychnine, when
- 5 combined with other ingredients in
- 6 preparation of pills, capsules, tablets,
- 7 elixirs or syrups having medicinal qualities
- 8 other than those possessed by the drugs
- 9 named in this clause when taken alone, and
- 10 in doses not exceeding those of the British
- 11 Pharmacopoeia and generally recognized as
- 12 safe medication.
- 13 62. Calomel.
- 14 63. Chloretone.
- 15 64. Ephedrine.
- 16 65. Ethinamate.
- 17 66. Meprobamate.
- 18 67. Methylparafynol.
- 19 68. Methyprylon.
- 20 69. Nitroglycerin.
- 21 70. Nystatin.
- 22 71. Quinine and its salts.
- 23 72. Penicillin lozenges containing not more than
- 24 3,000 International Units per dose.
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SCHEDULE B

Articles which may be sold by any person:

1. Acetylsalicylic Acid (in original packages) whether described as Aspirin, Acetophen, or any other trade name, mark, or designation.
2. Acid muriatic.
3. Acid Sulphuric (Commercial).
4. Alum.
5. Borax.
6. Bicarbonate of Soda.
7. Castor Oil.
8. Cream of Tartar.
9. Carbonate of Soda.
10. Carbonate of magnesia.
11. Chloride of Lime.
12. Di-sodium-Dibrom-Oxymercury-Fluorescein, whether described as "Mercurochrome" or any other trade name, mark or designation.
13. Epsom Salts.
14. Glauber's Salts.
15. Glycerin.
16. Gum Camphor.
17. Hydrogen Peroxide.
18. Impregnated feeding mashies to be used for the prevention control or treatment of poultry and livestock diseases may contain Sulfa Drugs (not more than 0.05%) or antibiotics (up to 500 grams per ton).
19. Phenacetin.
20. Phosphate of Soda.

SCHEDULE B

Articles which may be sold by any person:

Acid Sulphuric (Commercial).

Alum.

Bisphosphate of Soda.

Green of Teint.

Carbonate of Soda.

Carbonate of Magnesia.

Hydroxide of Lime.

Whether described as "Hydrochloric" or any

other trade name, mark or designation.

Hydrochloric.

Glycerin.

Van Glycerol.

Impregnated feeding stuffs to be used for the

prevention control or treatment of poultry or

livestock diseases may contain Sulphur Dioxide

(not more than 0.05%) or antiseptics (up to

500 grams per ton).

Phenacetic.



- 1 21. Rhubarb Root.
- 2 22. Rochelle Salt.
- 3 23. Saltpetre.
- 4 24. Senna.
- 5 25. Sulphaquinoxaline in either table or
- 6 concentrated solution to be used for the
- 7 prevention of Coccidiosis in poultry may be
- 8 sold in original sealed containers.
- 9 26. Sulphur.
- 10 27. Solution of Ammonia.
- 11 28. Weak Tincture of Iodine (in original bottle).
- 12 29. Turpentine.
- 13 30. Pest Destroyers of a poisonous nature
- 14 including:
- 15 Arsenate of lead.
- 16 H.E.T.P. -- hexaethyltetraphosphate.
- 17 Parathion--O, O diethyl-o-p-nitrophenyl
- 18 thiosphosphate.
- 19 Paris Green.
- 20 Pestox 3 -- bis (dimethylaminophosphorous)
- 21 Anhydride.
- 22 Dodium arsenite including Penite 35.
- 23 T.E.P.P. -- tetraethylpyrophosphate.
- 24 Preparations containing less than 10% D.D.T.--
- 25 2, 2-bis (p-chlorophenyl).
- 26 1, 1, 1, trichloroethane.
- 27 Warfarin Compound -- 42 (WAFF 42) 3-(d-ace
- 28 toxylbenzyl) - 4-hydroxycoumarin.
- 29 The foregoing only in original containers
- 30 bearing thereon the manufacturer's label and

Saltpetre.

Sulphadiazine in either table or

concentrated solution to be used for the

prevention of Oocidiosis in poultry may be

held in original sealed containers.

Salphur.

Solution of ammonia.

Weak tincture of iodine (in original bottle).

Best Destroyers of a poisonous nature

including

Ammoniac of lead.

Pestox 3 -- dia (dimethylphosphonates)

Doctine essences including Pevine 35.

Preparations containing less than 10% D.P.P.

2, 2-dichloroethane.

Warland compound -- 42 (WATER 42) 3-(4-ace

loxyphenyl) - 4-hydroxybenzoic acid.

The foregoing only in original containers

bearing thereon the manufacturer's label and



1 warning.

2 31. Cresol (Cresylic Acid) and its preparations
3 and the homologues of Cresol and their
4 preparations when weaker than 5% Cresol and
5 sold in original bottles.

6 32. Formaldehyde.

7 33. Spirit of Nitre.

8 34. All articles defined as proprietary or patent
9 medicines by any Statute of Canada.

10 35. Any other article not listed in Schedule A.

Gresol (Sulphuric Acid) and its preparations

and the homologues of Gresol and their

preparations when weaker than the Gresol and

sold in original bottles.

Formaldehyde.

All articles defined as proprietary or patent

medicines by any Statute of Canada.

Any other article not listed in Schedule A.



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Appendix E
To Submission By The
New Brunswick
Pharmaceutical Society

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE

NARCOTIC CONTROL ACT

P. C. 1961 - 1133

The New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society is
subject to the provisions of the Narcotic Control Act,
P.C. 1961-1133 and the following is a summary of the
relevant sections of this Act.

1-B (Sec:23)

A pharmacist, upon receipt of a narcotic from
a licensed dealer or from another pharmacist as provided
in Section 36 shall forthwith enter in a book, register
or other record maintained for such purposes, the
following:

- (a) The name and quantity of the
narcotic received.
- (b) The date the narcotic was received, and,
- (c) The name and address of the person
from whom the narcotic was received.

2-B (Sec. 24)

No pharmacist shall, except as provided in
sections 25, 26 and 27 supply a narcotic to any person
unless he has first received a written order or
prescription therefor signed and dated by a practitioner
and the signature of the practitioner where not known to
the pharmacist has been verified by him.



1 3-B (Sec.25)

2 Subject to Section 30, a pharmacist may
3 dispense an oral prescription narcotic upon prescription
4 or order given verbally by a practitioner provided he
5 has taken reasonable precautions to satisfy himself
6 that the person giving the prescription or order is a
7 practitioner.

8 4-B (Sec.26)

9 A pharmacist may supply a narcotic to a
10 hospital upon a written order from:

- 11 (a) The pharmacist in charge of the
12 dispensary of the hospital, or,
13 (b) A practitioner authorized by the
14 hospital to sign the order on its
15 behalf.

16 5-B (Sec.27)

17 A pharmacist may, with a prescription, sell a
18 preparation containing one-eighth grain or less or its
19 equivalent of Codeine Phosphate per tablet or in any other
20 solid form or one-third grain or less of its equivalent
21 of Codeine Phosphate per fluid ounce in liquid
22 preparations, if:

- 23 (a) The Codeine Phosphate in such
24 preparation is combined with
25 medicinal ingredients other than
26 narcotics and the minimum doses
27 recommended for the preparation
28 contains:

- 29 (i) one such medicinal
30 ingredient other than the



Codeine Phosphate not less in quantity than the recognized minimum single dose for such ingredients.

(ii) Two such medicinal ingredients having a similar action other than the Codeine Phosphate if each is not less in quantity than one-half the recognized minimum single dose for each such ingredients, or,

(iii) Three such ingredients having a similar action other than the Codeine Phosphate if each is not less in quantity than one-third the recognized minimum single dose for each such ingredients; and,

(b) There is legibly and conspicuously printed on the main panel of the label and on any outer container the full formula or true list of all active ingredients and a caution to the following effect-
"This preparation contains Codeine and should not be administered to children except on the advice of a physician".

A pharmacist shall not use an order or prescription, written or verbal, to dispense a narcotic on more than one occasion.

7-B (Sec.29)

A pharmacist shall forthwith after dispensing



1 a narcotic, other than an oral prescription narcotic,
2 pursuant to a written order or prescription, enter in a
3 book, register or other record maintained for such
4 purposes:

5 (a) The name and address of the person
6 named in the order or prescription.

7 (b) The name, quantity and form of the
8 narcotic.

9 (c) The name, initials and address of
10 the practitioner who issued the order or
11 prescription.

12 (d) The name or initials of the pharmacist
13 who supplied the narcotics.

14 (e) The date the narcotic was supplied, and,

15 (f) The number assigned to the order or
16 prescription.

17 8-B (Sec.30)

18 A pharmacist shall, before dispensing an oral
19 prescription narcotic pursuant to an order or prescription
20 verbally given therefor, make a written record thereof,
21 setting forth:

22 (a) The name and address of the person
23 named therein.

24 (b) In accordance with the manner in
25 which it is specified in the pres-
26 cription, the name and quantity of
27 such oral prescription narcotic or
28 the narcotic and the other medicinal
29 ingredients therein.

30 (c) The directions for use therewith.



(d) The name and initials of the practitioner who issued the order or prescription.

(e) The name or initials of the pharmacist who dispensed such oral prescription narcotic.

(f) The date such oral prescription narcotic was supplied, and,

(g) The number assigned to the order or prescription.

9-B (Sec.31)

(1) A pharmacist shall maintain a special narcotic prescription file in which shall be filed in sequence as to date and number and written record of all oral prescription narcotics dispensed pursuant to an order or prescription verbally given as provided in Section 30.

(2) A pharmacist shall retain in his possession for a period of at least two years any records which he is required to keep by these Regulations.

10-B (Sec.32)

A pharmacist shall:

(a) Furnish such information respecting the dealings of the pharmacist in any narcotic supply form and at such times as the Minister may require.

(b) Make available and produce to an inspector upon request his special narcotic prescription file together with any books, records or documents which he is required to



keep.

(c) Permit an inspector to make copies of or to take extracts from such files, books, records or documents, and,

(d) Permit an inspector to check all stocks of narcotics on his premises:

11-B (Sec.33)

A pharmacist shall report to the Minister any loss or theft of a narcotic within ten days of his discovery thereof.

12-B (Sec.34)

A pharmacist shall keep all narcotics except oral prescription narcotics securely in a locked receptacle, drawer or safe.

13-B (Sec.35)

(1) No pharmacist shall prepare a narcotic unless the Minister has approved the formula thereof, and if such narcotic is a preparation described in Section 27, has approved the label and the size of the container in which it will be sold.

(2) A pharmacist who prepares a narcotic shall, in addition to all other records required to be kept, keep a record of the following:

(a) The kind and quantity of any narcotic used in the preparation.

(b) The name and quantity of the narcotic prepared, and,

(c) The date that the prepared narcotic was placed in stock.

(3) For the purposes of this section, "Prepare



1 does not include the compounding of a narcotic pursuant
2 to a prescription of a practitioner.

3 14-B (Sec.36)

4 (1) Upon receiving a written order, a
5 pharmacist may supply a narcotic to a licensed dealer or
6 other pharmacist and shall forthwith notify the Minister
7 setting out the details thereof.

8 (2) A pharmacist shall forthwith after
9 removing, transporting or transferring a narcotic from
10 his place of business to any other place of business
11 operated by him, notify the Minister setting out the
12 details thereof.

13 15-B (Sec.37)

14 Where, in the opinion of the Minister, it is
15 necessary to do so for the proper administration and
16 enforcement of the Act or these Regulations, the Minister
17 may refer to the appropriate provincial licensing
18 authority of any province in which a pharmacist is
19 registered and licensed any information obtained under
20 these Regulations together with any other information
21 he considers relevant, and the following consultation
22 with such provincial licensing authority may, notwith-
23 standing anything contained in these Regulations, impose
24 such conditions as in his opinion may be desirable in
25 the public interest on the right of such pharmacist to
26 purchase a narcotic.

27 16-B

28 Definitions as applicable under this Act are
29 to be found in the Regulations respecting the Control of
30 Narcotics.

not include the compounding of a narcotic preparation

to a prescription of a practitioner.

14-B (Sec.36)

(1) Upon receiving a written order, a

pharmacist may supply a narcotic to a licensed dealer or other pharmacist and shall forthwith notify the Minister

(2) A pharmacist shall comply after

removing, transporting or transferring a narcotic from his place of business to any other place of business operated by him, notify the Minister setting out the details thereof.

15-B (Sec.37)

Where, in the opinion of the Minister, it is

necessary to do so for the proper administration and enforcement of the Act or these Regulations, the Minister may refer to the appropriate provincial licensing authority of any province in which a pharmacist is registered and licensed any information obtained under these Regulations together with any other information he considers relevant, and the following consultation with such provincial licensing authority may, notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, impose such conditions as in his opinion may be desirable in the public interest or the right of such pharmacist to purchase a narcotic.

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Definitions as applicable under this Act are

to be found in the Regulations respecting the control of

Narcotics



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SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE
FOOD AND DRUGS ACT

CHAPTER 38 OF THE STATUTES OF CANADA 1952

WITH AMENDMENTS TO AUGUST 9, 1961

1-C This Act has to do with advertising and making of claims regarding certain products, it spells out in detail what may not be advertised and more particularly it mentions specific diseases for which no person shall advertise any food, drug, cosmetic or device to the general public as a treatment, preventative or cure for any of the diseases, disorders or abnormal physical states mentioned in Schedule A.

2-C No person shall sell any drug that:

- (a) Was manufactured, prepared, preserved, packed or stored under unsanitary conditions or
- (b) Is adulterated.

No person shall sell or distribute any drug referred to in Schedule F without an oral or written prescription from a medical practitioner, dentist or veterinary surgeon. For all practical purposes Schedule F may be considered the same schedule as the Schedule A Part 1 of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Act.

3-C On the 15th of September 1961 amendment P.C. 1961-1132 to this Act was effective and in brief this amendment was to set up a new Schedule G. This schedule



1 includes:

2 (1) Amphetamine and its salt.

3 (2) Barbituric acid and its salts and
4 derivatives.

5 (3) Methamphetamine and its salt.

6 For all practical purposes these may be considered as
7 narcotics, in that they must be signed for by the
8 pharmacist, they must be entered in a book, and
9 inventory must be kept at all times and upon sale they be
10 again entered noting the person's name, the prescribing
11 doctor etc. The enforcement of these regulations comes
12 under the Narcotic inspectors, so they may be kept on
13 the same file as all narcotic prescriptions.

14 4-C SCHEDULE "A"

15 Alcoholism

16 Appendicitis

17 Arteriosclerosis

18 Blood Poisoning

19 Bright's Disease

20 Cancer

21 Diabetes

22 Diphtheria

23 Disorders of menstrual flow

24 Disorders of the prostatic gland

25 Dropsy

26 Epilepsy

27 Erysipelas

28 Gallstones, Kidney Stones, Bladder Stones

29 Gangrene

30 Goitre



- 1 Heart Diseases
- 2 High Blood Pressure
- 3 Infantile Paralysis
- 4 Influenza
- 5 Lockjaw
- 6 Loss of Ataxia
- 7 Ocular
- 8 Pleurisy
- 9 Pneumonia
- 10 Ruptures
- 11 Scarlet Fever
- 12 Sexual Impotence
- 13 Small Pox
- 14 Spinal Meningitis
- 15 Trachoma
- 16 Tuberculosis
- 17 Typhoid
- 18 Typhoid Fever
- 19 Ulcers of the gastro-intestinal tract
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2. "DRUG" means any substance,
 - (i) that is named in the latest edition from time to time of the British Pharmacopoeia, British Pharmaceutical Codex, Pharmacopoeia of the United States of America, National Formulary New and Nonofficial Remedies, Canadian Formulary, Codex Francais, Pharmacopoeia Internationalis or any other Pharmacopoeia approved and accepted by the Department of National Health and Welfare of Canada, and,
 - (ii) that is offered for sale or sold for the prevention or treatment of any ailment but does not include any such substance or preparation offered for sale or sold as, or as part of, a food, drink or cosmetic or for any purpose other than the prevention or treatment of any ailment, disease or physical disorder.
3. "MEDICINE" includes all drugs for internal or external use of man or animal and any substance or mixture of substance intended to be used for the treatment, medication or prevention of disease or pain in man or



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or external use of man or animal and any substance or
mixture of substance intended to be used for the treatment
relief or prevention of disease or pain in man or



1 animal.

2 4. "PRESCRIPTION" means a formula or direction
3 given by a legally qualified medical practitioner, dentist
4 or veterinary surgeon for, a remedy for, or treatment
5 for, a disease or disorder, prescribing the ingredients
6 with or without the method of using.

7 5. "RETAIL PHARMACY" means a shop or place of
8 business where poisons, drugs or medicines are sold or
9 exposed for sale to the general public.

10 6. "DISPENSING OF MEDICINES" means the issuance
11 of any multiple dose container to the patient.

12 7. "ADMINISTERING OF MEDICINES" covers the
13 issuance of a single dosage from a stock container.

14 8. "PHARMACY" is that profession which is con-
15 cerned with the art and science of preparing from
16 natural and synthetic sources, suitable and convenient
17 materials for distribution and use in the diagnosis,
18 treatment and prevention of disease. It embraces a
19 knowledge of the identification, selection, pharmacologi-
20 cal action, preservation, combination, analysis, and
21 standardization of drugs and medicines. It also includes
22 their proper and safe distribution and use whether dis-
23 pensed on the prescription of a licensed physician,
24 dentist, or veterinarian or, in those instances where it
25 may legally be done, dispensed or otherwise made
26 available to the consumer.

27 9. "PHARMACIST" is one who, through academic
28 qualification and legal professional registration, is
29 responsible for the preparation and distribution of
30 the dosage forms of drugs. The pharmacist practises his



1 profession through the compounding and dispensing of
2 medical prescriptions, and through the comprehension and
3 dissemination of information related to the science which
4 embraces all knowledge of drugs, their identification,
5 mechanism of action, toxicity, therapeutic activity,
6 palatability, stability, dosage form, potentiality with
7 other drugs and synergism in combination, and includes
8 the standardization and critical evaluation of medicinal
9 agents and pharmaceutical preparations. The pharmacist's
10 duties include general supervisory control combined with
11 certain specific legal responsibilities relative to certain
12 drugs, in addition to direct obligations concerning the
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PART (1)

STATISTICS TO ARRIVE AT

PRESCRIPTION DOLLAR VOLUME

THROUGH RETAIL OUTLETS IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Methods of estimating total retail drug
store prescription volume in New Brunswick in year 1960.

(A) Based on an estimated per capital drug cost.

$\$7.50 (a) \times 606,000 (b) = \$4,545,000$

(B) Based on per capita prescription expenses
as adjusted.

$\$9.00 (c) \times 606,000 (b) = \$5,454,000$

(C) Based on survey of New Brunswick retail
pharmacies.

This is a projected figure based on returns
from 38% of the retail pharmacies in New
Brunswick and is subject to adjustment when
final returns are available.

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(a) Per capita prescription costs based on 19th
Annual C.Ph.A. Survey (1960).

(b) Province of New Brunswick population used
throughout for calculations per D.B.S.
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(c) D.B.S. "City Family Expenditures, 1957"
adjusted to reflect increase in price index
of drugs from 1957 to 1960.



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4 (3) When pharmacies are financially
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6 genuinely interested in how little and how economically
7 he can prescribe for his patient. When the reverse is
8 true, the physician is tempted on how much he can
9 prescribe and how much longer he can keep his patient on
10 his profit making medications.

11 (4) In practice the physician-owned
12 pharmacies destroy the patient's freedom of choice of
13 pharmacies and circumvents the competitive advantages it
14 offers.

15 (5) Certainly the divided interest of pharmacies
16 from physicians has acted as a check and balance pattern
17 which has become an American heritage. In a larger
18 measure this has helped to keep each profession honorable
19 without public accusation of merchandising medicine on
20 the American Public.

21 (6) The public would not tolerate for
22 General Motors to own our filling stations or the electric
23 power companies having a corner on the electric appliances.
24 Federal laws are restrictive and demand that a private
25 pharmacy cannot dispense, sell, give away or even
26 consume his own stock of prescription legend drugs.
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6 Department broke up an arrangement in which physicians
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9 recall, in addition to a heavy fine, an order was issued
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11 this order covers the current problem and trend in
12 which a minority of physicians are engaged with respect
13 to profiting on prescriptions.

14 (8) The public demands and industry
15 accepts, controls to avoid monopolies in business; since
16 physicians and pharmacists are dealing in matters of
17 health, illness and life itself, it seems even more
18 important that we do not permit arrangements that lend
19 themselves to monopolies on a defenseless and uninformed
20 public.

21 (9) In isolated rural areas there are
22 occasions in which a physician has to personally dispense
23 his own drugs in the absence of a private pharmacy in the
24 area. However, this should not be confused with the
25 practice of physicians forming clinics and installing
26 their own pharmacy to dispense their wares through what
27 appears to be an innocent private pharmacy but actually
28 is owned by the physicians. This is being done in the
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1 I would like to answer any questions.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: You are suggesting, Mr.

3 Townsend, referring to Clause 3 in your summary, that all
4 hospitals over 30 beds - that would be a hospital of 31,
5 40 beds?

6 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes. This number was more
7 or less picked at random where we thought a pharmacist
8 would be utilized.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Do you suggest that there
10 would be full-time employment for a pharmacist in a
11 hospital of 40 beds?

12 MR. TOWNSEND: I think if the pharmacist
13 was given the purchasing of drugs and purchasing of drug
14 supplies - and I believe that the pharmacist is the man
15 most capable of doing this job, sir - then it would be a
16 full-time job.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: He would have to have other
18 duties.

19 MR. TOWNSEND: Oh, definitely, yes. I
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2 THE CHAIRMAN: But supposing you do have a
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4 areas in which a pharmacist might practise his profession
5 if he so chooses? I just want to understand what your
6 recommendation is.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: I believe this is more of a
8 long-term project. We see deterrent use of drugs
9 restricted in national health in other countries. For
10 instance, a new drug comes on the market. A physician
11 might want to prescribe it, but it is not on the list of
12 drugs, then the pharmacist could stock this drug and the
13 patient could pay for it, and this is basically what we
14 mean.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: In No. 8 you suggest that
16 if there is any comprehensive program, because it is
17 inherent in the nature of the public, as you say, as a
18 whole, to use to excess services which are apparently
19 provided free, and so forth. By that do you go so far as
20 to support the idea of a charge on each prescription,
21 either what might be called a deterrent charge or an
22 initial charge, either the English system or the Australian
23 system?

24 MR. TOWNSEND: We would like to have further
25 study with regard to this deterrent clause. We think
26 there should be a deterrent, but we don't know what it
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28 THE CHAIRMAN: You wish to make a further
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1 THE CHAIRMAN: May I ask you, No. 4,
2 regarding the problem of the dispensing physician. Now,
3 you are not going all the way that if a physician carries
4 drugs for immediate use ---

5 MR. TOWNSEND: No, naturally not. We are
6 taking the position of setting up a dispensary.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: How prevalent is that
8 situation?

9 MR. TOWNSEND: In this area I am happy to
10 say it is non-existent, but in the northern part of our
11 Province it does exist to some degree, and we feel it is
12 quite unfair competition.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: In those areas are there
14 also pharmacies available?

15 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, well-staffed pharmacies.

16 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: Mr. Townsend, with
17 regard to the hospital pharmacist's stocks, would you
18 consider the stocking of supplies as one of the functions
19 of the pharmacist?

20 MR. TOWNSEND: I am not a hospital pharma-
21 cist myself, and it is rather hard to answer that question.
22 I think it could be done without too much of a problem,
23 but not being a hospital pharmacist and not having really
24 the detailed knowledge of a hospital I would have to hedge
25 my answer, quite frankly.

26 COMMISSIONER GIRARD: I ask this question
27 because it is being done more and more, and some people
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30 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Page 7, Summation



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2 there to a retail outlet?

3 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Retail out-
4 lets, yes.

5 MR. TOWNSEND: Oh, yes, I am in
6 favour of competition.

7 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: And you
8 visualize that in a government benefit scheme you would
9 not have that same competition present?

10 MR. TOWNSEND: I wouldn't necessarily
11 say that.

12 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Do you
13 visualize then several outlets under a benefit scheme?

14 MR. TOWNSEND: Oh, yes, sir, I
15 could visualize ----

16 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: Several
17 retail outlets?

18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: And you
20 would then, having that, you say there would be more
21 expense, it would cost the country a great deal more
22 money than the distribution at the present time. Now,
23 why is that?

24 MR. TOWNSEND: We feel what we call
25 utilization rate, if we can come back to this, here in
26 our province, and I emphasize on the preliminary survey
27 only, runs approximately 2.5, slightly over. In New
28 Zealand, they went from there in ten years to a use rate
29 of 5. I can give you the reference right here if you so
30 desire. If you take an average of \$3.00 per prescription,



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7 be represented on anybody charged with the development
8 and administration of policies pertaining to pharmaceu-
9 tical services. Your organization is quite insistent
10 upon that, are you?

11 MR. TOWNSEND: Definitely, sir.

12 COMMISSIONER VAN WART: And you are
13 also insistent that if any scheme comes in, that the
14 pharmacist shall have the right to carry on a private
15 practice outside of this scheme?

16 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Mr. Chairman,
18 my first question is addressed to Mr. Townsend. Would
19 your association be in favour of a prepaid system of
20 providing comprehensive drug coverage for the people of
21 the Province of New Brunswick?

22 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, we would, if
23 we could afford it. Well, I don't mean to be facetious
24 there, sir, we feel that the cost is going to be very
25 very high, and should be looked into very carefully, but
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4 in 1959 the individual taxpayer in New Brunswick paid
5 to the Federal Government twenty-two millions of dollars.
6 This means that we have to raise quite an additional
7 amount of revenue. This is the individual, sir. There
8 is no corporation in it.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If I may
10 continue with the questioning, Mr. Townsend. I am just
11 wondering what happens in a case where a doctor says to
12 a patient: "My dear man, you are ill and you need that
13 particular drug". Can that person afford not to buy
14 the drug?

15 MR. TOWNSEND: No, sir.

16 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Fine sir.
17 Now, he may not have the money to buy the drug. What
18 will happen in a case like that?

19 MR. TOWNSEND: I think in a case like
20 that, sir, there are welfare organizations and things
21 like that. I think that also quite frankly that there
22 is a lot of charges on a retail pharmacist's books that
23 prove this to be correct.

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7 they should get those drugs?

8 MR. TOWNSEND: Absolutely, sir.

9 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: So you are
10 saying that those who cannot afford to pay should be
11 provided with those drugs through a community scheme or
12 effort?

13 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir.

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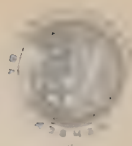
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22 as being essential for the health of their patients?

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24 would like to think that one over very carefully.

25 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well, I have
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7 please correct me.

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13 if I may restate the question. Can we afford not to pay
14 for the drugs, can you afford not to pay for the drugs
15 which the people in the Province of New Brunswick require?

16 MR. TOWNSEND: Definitely not, sir.

17 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Fine. So
18 I think you have given us the answer whether you can
19 afford it or not. I think the answer you have given us
20 is yes. If I may turn to the next question, you have
21 been speaking about over-utilization?

22 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir.

23 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you
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2 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are you
3 suggesting that over-utilization arises out of physicians
4 prescribing more drugs than their patients require?

5 MR. TOWNSEND: No, sir.

6 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: All right,
7 would you then care to elaborate for the benefit of the
8 Commission as to what you mean when you speak of over-
9 utilization?

10 MR. TOWNSEND: I think, Dr. Firestone
11 I made a reference to that before, and that over-utiliza-
12 tion is a term -- increased utilization I think would be
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15 was correct, whether or not we had reached the point
16 where people were getting the drug supplies they needed.
17 I frankly don't know this.

18 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well then,
19 your first statement therefore is taken that we should
20 correct the word over-utilization, and should substitute
21 the word increased utilization?

22 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir.

23 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And would
24 you feel, sir, that physicians would be the best judges
25 whether utilization of drugs should be increased or not?
26 After all, they prescribe the drugs the patient requires.
27 Should not we leave the judgment to the physician?

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29 preted your question before. Yes.

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1 we have come to the conclusion that while pharmacists are
2 great people when it comes to dispensing drugs, they are
3 not necessarily the best judges of either over-utilization
4 or increased utilization of drugs, with no reflection on
5 the professional competence of the witnesses.

6 MR. TOWNSEND: That is right.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: The question
8 of competition. You spoke of competition among retailers.
9 Can you explain to us what form that competition takes
10 when it comes to the sale of drugs at the retail level?

11 MR. TOWNSEND: I would say possibly
12 the same as physicians, lawyers. We advertise, we put
13 up prescriptions, we service, we run deliveries, we try
14 to just go probably one step further than the next man in
15 giving a service to the public.

16 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Is there
17 price competition on some of the major drug items?

18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir. There is.

19 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: If we were
20 to ask your association, would it be possible for you to
21 provide us with specific information as to the various
22 prices charged in major drugs by leading retailers in
23 the province, without necessarily divulging their names.
24 We are not necessarily interested in any particular firm,
25 but we would have perhaps some idea of the degree of price
26 competition that exists. Would that be possible?

27 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir.

28 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Are you
29 also familiar with the prices which hospitals pay for
30 drugs?



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1 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, I certainly am,
2 sir.

3 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Would it be
4 possible for you to supply us also that information, so
5 that the Commission would have an indication of the
6 differentials?

7 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir. Dr. Kelly
8 has been very helpful to us in all our brief, and I am
9 sure he would be helpful.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: For my information,
11 do you mean the price for which they both obtain their
12 drugs, the source from which they both obtain their
13 drugs?

14 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Perhaps I can
15 elaborate then, Mr. Chairman. Thank you for raising the
16 question. I am asking for the prices at which hospitals
17 obtain the drugs, and I understand that the drugs are
18 made available either free of charge or at cost. How are
19 these drugs purchased by hospitals made available to out
20 patients?

21 MR. TOWNSEND: They are not made
22 available in this province to out-patients.

23 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: So therefore,
24 what we would have is the cost of drugs to the hospital?

25 MR. TOWNSEND: That is correct.

26 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We would
27 also have, or your association presumably would have, the
28 cost of drugs to the retailer?

29 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

30 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: And you would



1 also have the cost of drugs to the patient, to the purchaser
2 by purchasing drugs in a retail outlet, so there would be
3 three figures involved for each item. These three figures
4 are available?

5 MR. TOWNSEND: We can work to make
6 them available, sir.

7 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: We are not
8 asking for a comprehensive survey. We are more interested
9 in an illustration of the differentials which exist, so
10 therefore if you would pick a few key drugs, just to
11 illustrate to us, it would be very helpful. Is that
12 possible?

13 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes, sir. It is
14 possible, but we must remember that in some cases the
15 hospital pharmacists work with a greater professional
16 freedom than retail pharmacists. I might say, however,
17 but I think that the hospitals have the right to substitute
18 a number of proprietary drugs for a trade name. This we
19 have not the right to do. We might have a hospital
20 buying one brand of drugs and a retailer buying another
21 brand.

22 COMMISSIONER FIRESTONE: Well, I think
23 this is a very useful qualification you are making, Mr.
24 Townsend, and we would welcome in addition to the factual
25 information any qualification which you may wish to add,
26 and thank you very much.

27 COMMISSIONER BALTZAN: There is one
28 area where you can assist in the matter of this question
29 of utilization, and I refer to drugs not on the restricted
30 list, where patients come in for a repeat prescription



1 without instructions by physicians to continue on this
2 for, say, a week or a month, and then maybe they continue
3 on for a year, and you are then in a little bit better
4 position to assist with respect to this problem than a
5 physician who does not know anything about it.

6 MR. TOWNSEND: That is correct, sir,
7 but those cases I think are isolated as far as the letter
8 of the law laying down the filling of prescriptions is
9 concerned, especially since last September 21st.



1 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: I put it to
2 you another way, Mr. Townsend: there is a great list of
3 drugs -- and I think you have a hundred of them listed
4 here -- which can under certain circumstances be sold
5 without any prescription?

6 MR. TOWNSEND: That is correct.

7 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: So in that
8 situation the responsibility is entirely yours?

9 MR. TOWNSEND: That is correct.

10 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: When you
11 say that you are in favour of a scheme under which people
12 who can pay for their drugs do so, and people who cannot
13 pay for them the community pays for them, do you include
14 that type of drug in your statement?

15 MR. TOWNSEND: No, sir. What we
16 intended in there were prescription drugs, what is known
17 as anything the physician writes down as a prescription;
18 not, as we call it, over-the-counter medication. This
19 we don't feel should come under the health organizations,
20 because it would just become too involved. We have also,
21 of course -- to amplify it still further -- the fact that
22 many of these drugs are sold in grocery stores, and we
23 just would not have any idea of where to obtain figures
24 except from the manufacturers.

25 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: So, any
26 figures you give us as to drug sales will be limited to
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4 to what we would refer to as over-the-counter drugs versus
5 prescription drugs?

6 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: That is right.

7 MR. TOWNSEND: I would not want to
8 hazard that at all.

9 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: Could you
10 get us that information from two or three representative
11 pharmacists in your association?

12 MR. TOWNSEND: We can try, but I
13 might point out that most of our association run retail
14 pharmacies of possibly less than \$1,000.00 a year, and to
15 carry detailed information is very difficult.

16 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: But there
17 may be someone who has kept that information?

18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

19 COMMISSIONER McCUTCHEON: I agree if
20 it has not been kept you cannot get it.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much,
22 gentlemen.

23 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank you very much,
24 Mr. Chairman.

25 THE CHAIRMAN: Now, this concludes
26 the list of those whose submissions we were to hear today.
27 We will proceed at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning starting with
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